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# \$20,000 — JIM HERMISTON BEATS ALL TRANSFERS



Jim Hermiston at the Australian player of the year awards last year. He was named in the 1977 team of the year.

How long  
can we  
go on?

A leading club administrator, hitting out at the selfishness of soccer players and the apathy of the public, has warned that Australian soccer is in danger of collapse.

Mr Ignatz Martinu, president of Victorian First Division club Kelso Austria, said, "I don't know what's to become of soccer."

"It is already very hard to fight for the sport in a country where the majority doesn't want to accept soccer. Grounds are hard to find and it's almost out of the question to try to build clubroom facilities by yourself."

"To top it off, the senior players are becoming unrealistic in their demands."

"I wonder how long this can go on before some of the clubs collapse because only three or four financial sponsors, plus the committee members, do all the work and seem to get nowhere."

"Most players are out to get as much money as they can, but show no loyalty to the club."

"Everyone wants promotion — well why don't they help their club — the one they signed with," Mr Martinu said.

"Let's be realistic, promotion can be achieved only if we all ... and this means players as well as committee ... work hard together in the same direction."

Mr Martinu, writing in Australia's club circular, was alluding to the demands of two Kelso Austria players, Cesar Valenzuela and Nestor Meneses, but as he points out, similar demands are being made by players throughout Australia.

Valenzuela wants \$3500 plus match fees to play the

And Campbell  
switches too!

Brisbane Lions paid the highest transfer fee in Australian soccer history when it bought Jim Hermiston for \$20,000 at the weekend.

The previous record was \$15,000, which Adelaide Juventus paid Hakoah Easts last year for AGENOR MUNIZ.

The Muniz deal came just a few months after the previous record, set when Fitzroy Alexander paid Footscray J.U.S.T. \$12,000 for Branko Bulkevic.

While the Hermiston deal was being negotiated in Brisbane, Hakoah-Easts was buying former Socceroo Ernie Campbell from Marconi.

And to make room for Campbell, Hakoah sold GRAHAM NORRIS to West Adelaide Hellas. Hakoah had bought Norris from Western Suburbs for \$5000 only a few weeks earlier.

Hakoah secretary Harry Lakmaker said West Adelaide had long been showing an interest in Norris. With Meneses due to return from Portugal soon, Hakoah would have had too many forwards, had Norris stayed.

Part of the transfer-fee arrangement is that Hakoah meets West Adelaide in a match in Adelaide on February 26. Lions will pay the \$20,000 fee for

Hermiston in instalments. Details of the instalments were not given.

Hermiston, who played on loan to Brisbane City last year, will team up with Socceroo Col Bennett in Lions' defence.

Lions previously signed Mooroolbark striker Barrie Fairbrother. It was reported Fairbrother's signing-on fee was \$10,000.

Fairbrother, who is featured on page 12 of this issue, is the subject of a dispute between Lions and Mooroolbark. Lions claim he was a free player when they signed him but Mooroolbark wants a transfer fee.

While Hermiston's transfer was being finalised in Brisbane, international forward Ernie Campbell was being signed over from Marconi to Hakoah Easts in Sydney.

Campbell had been quoted at \$15,000. Hakoah got him for less — but the price was at least \$10,000.

He was the second Marconi star to be transferred in as many weeks.

Mike Micevski had gone to Fitzroy Alexander for a fee believed to be just under \$10,000.

Hermiston, 30, a member of Scotland's 1974 World Cup squad, signed a four-year contract with Lions, despite a late bid by Brisbane City to win him over with a better offer.

Hermiston will be employed full time by Lions, as a player and as director for junior coaching.

Hermiston came to Australia early last year to join Queensland First Division club Grange Thistle, which released him to Brisbane City for guest games.

Ernie Campbell, 28, capped 14 times for Australia, can play in midfield but prefers to play as right striker.

Campbell, who played in the 1974 World Cup finals, started his career with APIA and



Branko Bulkevic — his \$12,500 transfer was beaten first by Agenor Muniz (\$15,000) and now by Her-



1974 World Cup player Ernie Campbell.

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**Paul Ontong prepares to shoot at goal, pursued by Fitzroy Alexander defenders Jim Tansey and Bob Proven (right). At left is Barrie Fairbrother, who has left Mooroolbark to join Brisbane Lions. Picture: SAM BELFONTE.**

## Ontong at \$4000

Mooroolbark reduced Paul Ontong's transfer fee from \$7500 to \$4000 when Frankston City showed interest in him last week.

However, Ontong said he would prefer to play for a Philips League Club and has since contacted Canberra City and Adelaide Juventus.

Earlier, Ontong had talked to the Brisbane clubs while on holidays in Queensland but neither of them contacted Mooroolbark about a possible transfer.

Ontong, 21, was one of the best players in the Victorian State League before Mooroolbark moved up into the Philips League and there he also played many devastating games.

His brother Geoff, a talented utility player, has retired from soccer at the age of only 24.

Geoff will soon become manager of the McDonald's store at Noble Park in Melbourne.

## National cup shaping up

By KYLE PATTERSON



**Prospects of a successful nationwide cup competition are growing.**

It has been proposed by the Australian Soccer Federation that 18 State League teams from all over Australia join the 14 Philips League clubs in contesting the Philips Cup.

The winner of such a competition could rightfully claim to be the best team in Australia.

The State League clubs would come from Sydney (four clubs), Melbourne (four), Adelaide (three), Brisbane (three), Western Australia, Tasmania, A.C.T. and Northern N.S.W. (one each).

The individual Federations have until March 31 to decide if they will participate and if so, which club or clubs will play.

South Australian Soccer Federation secretary Adrian Deckers is enthusiastic about the competition.

"The Federation is in favour of the idea and it will be a test of strength for the clubs," he said.

He is confident that the S.A. Federation will meet the deadline.

"The clubs have the final decision," Mr. Deckers continued, "but as long as the problem of time and cost are overcome I think they will be in favour."

George Wallace, secretary of the Victorian Soccer Federation, also said time and money were the main obstacles.

"If the cost can be met from

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within the competition, which is what has been proposed, then we will be in no problems," he said. "Of course with our season going from February to November, time is always a problem."

The first round of the knock-out competition would be played mid-week in May. Half the teams would be knocked out at this stage.

The second round in June would leave eight teams in the quarter-finals, which would be played after the PSL top four series at the end of the season.

New South Wales Soccer Federation secretary Aulder Brown was less optimistic, but didn't rule out the possibility of NSW clubs competing.

"We invited the Sydney Philips League clubs to play in our Ampol Cup and they

## Big four in series

Marconi, St. George, Hakoah-East and Western Suburbs will play a series of trial matches at Marconi Oval starting on February 10 at 6.30 pm. The first match is between St. George and Hakoah, followed by Wests v. Marconi.

On February 17 the programme is: St. George v. Wests and Marconi v. Hakoah.

Remaining matches are on February 22 and 24.

Rosso Antico, maker of the Italian aperitif, is helping stage the matches.

"He has had injury problems in the past but there will be no problems this year," Cirkovic said.

# BARKERS RESIST \$15,000 TAKE-OVER ATTEMPT

By LAURIE SCHWAB

A Geelong team, believed to be North Geelong, offered to take over Mooroolbark United for \$15,000 but the offer was rejected.

The first take-over offer was \$10,000, which was increased by \$5000 later.

It is believed North Geelong wanted to take Mooroolbark's position in the Third Division of the Metropolitan League.

**Mooroolbark** has started a campaign to stop possible sanction by the Victorian Soccer Federation against the club.

There has been talk that the VSF would be unhappy about Mooroolbark playing in the Third Division under the burden of the \$50,000 debt incurred by its Philips League team.

There would appear to be little justification for any action by the VSF.

If the club can pay its affiliation fees and meet all day-to-day requirements of playing in the Metropolitan League, the debt should have no bearing on the club's membership.

After all, the VSF would solve nothing by any extreme action like excluding Mooroolbark from the League. The debt would remain and the task of repaying it would become even harder.

It would be callous indeed for the VSF to compound the problem.

Mooroolbark has submitted to the VSF a petition bearing 520 signatures and has also sought backing from the Department of Youth, Sport and Recreation.

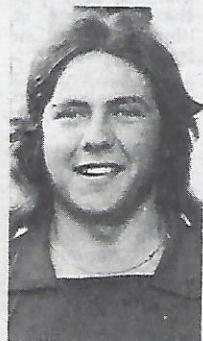
The letter to the VSF reads: "Mooroolbark United Soccer Club administration consists of several committees. The executive committee's function is to look after the national league team. There is a junior committee and a 2nd Division committee.

"The 2nd Division committee was not formed until the latter part of last season. It was sanctioned by the executive committee.

"This 2nd Division committee has for the past six months completely and consistently managed the 2nd Division (now 3rd Division) team which has taken a lot of hard work for a number of people.

"We have our own ground

## OSTROWSKY TO J.U.S.T.



Larry Ostrowsky  
Polonia goalkeeper Larry Ostrowsky has joined Footscray J.U.S.T.

Ostrowsky, 18, will be deputy to J.U.S.T.'s No. 1 goalkeeper Dennis Boland.

He replaces Miro Litwin, who also came from Polonia. Litwin hasn't been seen at J.U.S.T. since the last game of 1977.

Meanwhile, J.U.S.T. awaits the arrival of two players from Yugoslavia — a left back from the First Division and a winger or right back from the Second Division.

Coach Cedo Cirkovic expects big things this year from midfielder Mirko Rujevic, the former State player.

"Rujevic has been working very hard in training and he has always been one of the best midfield players in Victoria.

"He has had injury problems in the past but there will be no problems this year," Cirkovic said.

## Petition asks for justice

their own club. There is also a growing but loyal group of supporters who all wish to continue supporting Mooroolbark.

"We have plans for the future and would like to be given the chance to get Mooroolbark back on its feet again.

"The junior club and social club have tightened ranks with us and the club is now more united than ever, indeed more united than it has been in the past 12 months, and supporters who did not agree with Mooroolbark joining the national league have also assured us of their financial and personal support.

"Mooroolbark is a suburban area and there is very little for youngsters and teenagers to do. Soccer clubs like Mooroolbark are very necessary here. It is not a fact that business that we are talking about — it is people. Should these boys be penalised because of the failure of the national league team? Wouldn't we all be failing in our duty to these boys if we let Mooroolbark soccer club disappear and left them kicking their heels on street corners?

"The Officer-in-Charge of Mooroolbark Police Station also endorses that any active sport that can hold the energies and attention of over 350 players and as many and more young supporters, deserves the chance to be maintained and function in the area."

The letter is signed by the club's recorder, Mrs. Rose Rye.

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Looney of Marrickville does not seem to be too troubled in this aerial duel with Patterson of Avala. On the far right, with No. 8 on his back, is the scorer of the only goal — Pat Dellar of Avala.



NSW Ampol Cup with ALEX VESIC

## Avala home with goal by Dellar

**AVALA**  
**MARRICKVILLE** 1:0

Cup holder Avala defeated Marrickville by the narrowest of margins, but it certainly did not reflect the superiority of the winning side.

Both teams, sadly out of control, struggled in the first half, battling for possession in midfield, and during 45 minutes only a few shots were fired at goal. Most notable in the 30th minute was a shot by Dellar, which hit the woodwork and went around the post for a goal kick.

Lee and Barton were booked during the first half, making the first 45 minutes a sad and sorry tale, not only for the spectators but for some players, too.

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to take a deflection on the way to Pat Dellar whose first-time shot from just outside the box finished in the far corner, with Looney well beaten.

Avala continued to surge forward and only three minutes later almost scored again. Beater followed a through pass from Patterson, fired a shot from seven metres out, but Looney made a brilliant save.

In the 56th minute, Beater, Marrickville, then Patterson had successive shots at goal from close range but found Marrickville's defence too dense to penetrate.

In the 83rd minute, Avala's star defender, Alex Gray wandered off into the opponent's half. He broke through Marrickville's defence but failed to beat the goalkeeper from just five metres.

With two minutes to go Beater had everyone beaten including the goalkeeper, but the ball was poked out and another chance went begging. To add insult to injury, Avala scored in the first minute of the game but the goal was disallowed for an infringement by young Avala keeper Ilijas Necic.

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AVALA: P. Ahrens, G. Olivanic, S. Deller, M. Barton, A. Gray, G. Kraljevic (Makedonija 45', Nastic 67'), E. Patterson, P. Dellar, T. Morrow, I. Necic, J. Beater, Coach: S. Lalic.

**MARRICKVILLE:** P. Looney, B. Windschitel, A. Lee, (S. Nanariello) S. Rumer, R. Page, M. Dale, A. Apostolidis, P. Thompson, R. Steele, D. Gould, G. Clark (T. Jordan).

**YUGAL — SUTHERLAND**  
0:3 (0:2)

Craig Hall, the recent winner of the Under-21 Player of the Year award for the state of NSW, found Yugal's defence easy to penetrate, but their net elusive. He could not score from as many as FOUR clear cut chances, while Peter Hall missed at least two.

If we add misses by Smith, Dalforno, and Basterfield to those of P. and C. Hall, a shattering 11 goals would have been scored.

Yugal rarely ventured

across centre field in the first half but seemed to enjoy the hospitality of Sutherland's defence far more in the second half, again, without much success.

Zoran Djuric had an opportunity in the 29th minute, then Karanfilovski failed to score in the 52nd and 56th minutes. Karanfilovski again missed a golden chance in the 76th minute, with Haynes well out of goal.

31st: Warren Woods took the ball down the right flank, and after a dash of about 40 metres (unattended), centred to the unmarked Paul Smith, who virtually "carried" the ball over the line from only a couple of metres away, 0:1.

44th: Peter Hall accepted a pass from the "evergreen" John Lavin, raced to the line, sent a perfect pass for Craig Hall, who missed. The ball landed on the foot of J. Walker, whose "prod" was sufficient to see the ball cross the line, 0:2.

66th: An incredible 95 metre, goal-kick by Haynes sent the ball deep into Yugal's penalty area, where it bounded once before going into touch. However, Mandridis saw fit to push Smith before the ball went out of play and from a resultant penalty kick Dalforno converted, 0:3.

**YUGAL:** Mandridis, Z. Trkulja, Piper, Zeknic, Radovic, Komiljanovic, Djuric, T. Mihajlovic, Luevski (Stamenkovic), Travini, Karanfilovski.

**SUTHERLAND:** Haynes, Wykes, Woods, Dalforno, Schuman, Meader, Walker, Lavin, P. Hall, (Basterfield), C. Hall, P. Smith.

Melita won against Granville, thanks to a penalty kick taken by Brizuela in the 79th minute, while Marrickville Olympic shocked last year's grand finalists 3:1 in the early match of the double header at Granville.

Ramirez, Thompson, and Kafatas scored for Olympic, while Vidic was on the spot for Auburn.

**COMPLETE ROUNDUP:**  
Group A: Croatia — Revesby 5:0; Melita — Granville 1:0.

**Table:**

1. Croatia .....	5:0	2
2. Melita .....	1:0	2
3. Granville .....	0:1	0
4. Revesby .....	0:5	0

**Group B:**

1. Apia — Toongabbie	2:2
2. Manly — Monaro 1:3.	

**Table:**

1. Manaro .....	3:1	2
2. Apia .....	2:2	1
3. Toongabbie .....	2:2	1
4. Manly .....	1:3	0

**Group C:**

1. Arncilffe — Kuringal 2:1;	
2. Auburn — M/V Olympic 1:3.	

**Table:**

1. Olympic .....	3:1	2
2. Arncilffe .....	2:1	1
3. Kuringal .....	1:2	0
4. Auburn .....	1:3	1

**Group D:**

1. Avala — Marrickville 1:0;	
2. Sutherland — Jugal 3:0.	

**Table:**

1. Sutherland .....	3:0	2
2. Avala .....	1:0	1
3. Marrickville .....	0:1	0
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**Kevin Walker**  
(Geo. Cross)



**Con Ignatidis**  
(Altona)



**Andy Segi**  
(Green Gully)



**Ray Pocock**  
(Sunshine)



**Lou Sannipoli**  
(Juventus)

# CLASH OF GIANTS KICKS OFF CUP

By LAURIE SCHWAB

The clash between two of Victoria's traditional giants, Juventus and George Cross, highlights the opening double header of the 1978 Ampol Cup at Olympic Park on Friday night.

The task facing Juventus for the second successive year is to win back the support of the Italian community.

Similarly, George Cross must win a greater share of Maltese support to improve its financial position.

The Cross now has more to offer, due to its impressive new social club in Brunswick.

**Francis Mifsud**, or "Chico," as he's known, is likely to make his comeback to the George Cross team after a long absence, and Juventus will feature the return of brilliant full back **Fausto Tarquinio**.

Tarquinio, once in line for a place in the national squad, returned recently from Italy, but midfielder **Charlie Smith** wants a transfer.

Juventus had an impressive 4-1 victory over Fitzroy Alexander a few weeks ago and if it reproduces that form, it could avenge its 1977 losses to the Cross.

Doubt still surrounds some of the George Cross players who have expressed a desire to move to other clubs.

However, as usually happens, the players will probably be placated and line up as usual.

With big names like **Ken Reed** (1977 league top scorer), **Lou Kastner**, **Billy Wilkinson**, **John Webb**, **Kevin Walker**, **Norm Maitland** and **Paul Murphy** in the line up, George Cross definitely appears the stronger team.

However, Juventus' new coach **Bobby Thompson** may have succeeded in firing up his squad sufficiently to overcome the slight deficiency in class.

Our tip: **GEORGE CROSS**  
**Ringwood v Makedonia**

In the earlier match at Olympic Park on Friday night (7.30 pm) Ringwood City may prove a tough opponent for Preston Makedonia which is rebuilding.

No doubt Brian Thom, Paul Wilding and Mike Kupinic (see separate story) will greatly strengthen the Ringwood side, coached once again by the capable **Fred Bunce**.

Former Essendon Lions striker **George McMillan** should make his debut for Makedonia, along with midfielder **Jim Quinn** who is back after a year in Scotland.

New Zealanders **Paul Glasson** and **Eric Leesbrel** will also appear in Makedonia colors for the first time.

**Brewerton, Petrovski, Petrov, Laumets and Flaherty** provide stability.

Makedonia beat Altona 2-0 and Green Gully 6-0 in practice matches, so it should overcome any improvement in the

Ringwood team.  
Our tip: **MAKEDONA**

**Frankston v GG Ajax**

(Olympic Park, Saturday, 7.30 pm)

Much will depend on whether Frankston manages to sign Mooroolbark striker Gordon McGregor in time for this match.

If he plays, he could well prove Frankston's match-winner as Ajax does not appear to have anyone capable of stopping him.

And in defence, Frankston's new signing **Vince Bannon** and **Alex Irvine** will be too strong for Ajax's only impressive striker, Andy Segi.

This could be a vastly different Frankston team, as goalkeeper **Frank Petersen**, midfielder **Dave Gorrie**, forward **Gus Eadie** and midfielder **Bill Buchanan** have all been placed on the transfer list.

Frankston has shown interest in Mooroolbark's brilliant forward **Paul Ontong** but his \$4000 price tag may prove prohibitive.

As for Green Gully, which will suffer from the absence of injured forward **John Grady**, much will depend on new signings **Dave Perkin** and **Nick Cook** from England.

Our tip: **FRANKSTON**

**Essendon CSC v Hakoah**

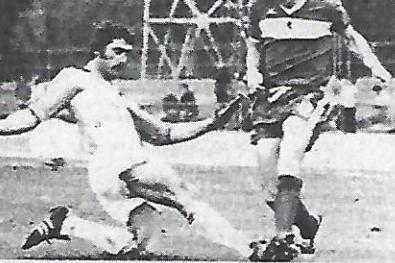
(Olympic Park, Saturday, 9pm)

Sunshine's mercurial forward **Tommy "Atom Ant" Cumming** is likely to make his debut for Essendon in this match, the outcome of which is anyone's guess.

If Cumming plays his skills, allied to those of

**Frank Petersen** (Frankston)

**David Baker (left) of Hakoah and Steve Kokoska (centre) of Essendon — two of Victoria's finest defenders. This scene is from Victoria's match against Middlesbrough last year. At left is David Mills.**



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## Makedonia's \$6000 sponsorship

Preston Makedonia is the first Victorian State League club to win major sponsorship.

GF Vasilevski Pty. Ltd., builders, will back the club for \$6000 this year.

Announcing the sponsorship, Makedonia spokesman **Branko Trajanovski** said: "With this financial backing and with the new players we have already signed, Makedonia is set to start the season by winning the Ampol Cup."

G. F. Vasilevski, run by Mr George Vasilevski, will have its company name on Makedonia's track suits.

The name will also be displayed on four signs at the club's new ground.

## Wilding, Thom switch

Ringwood Wilhelmina has been finalising negotiations to sign Mooroolbark players **Paul Wilding**, a goalkeeper, and **Brian Thom**, a mid-fielder.

For Thom it is a homecoming. He played for Ringwood before going interstate and joined Mooroolbark on his return to Melbourne.

Ringwood is also likely to sign Croydon City utility player **Mike Kupinic**. He was with Footscray J.U.S.T. before joining Croydon.

When **Gary Groenewald** switched to Ringwood from Hakoah recently, he brought his two brothers **Warren** and **John** with him.

With stars **Keith Adams**, **David Garthwaite** and **John O'Callaghan** all signing up again, Ringwood appears to be in a sound position.

Coach **Freddy Bunce** is likely to use the following squad:

**Paul Wilding**, **Tom Kreaskas**, **Tom Passman**, **David Garthwaite**, **Benny de Bruyckere**, **Ron Verriers**, **Greg Schott**, **Brian Thom**, **Keith Adams**, **Gary Groenewald**, **John Luyten**, **John O'Callaghan**, **Mike Kupinic**, **Warren Groenewald** and **John Groenewald**.

**Passman** is a former Ringwood junior who had seven senior games last year and **Schott** joined last season after moving to Melbourne from Queensland.



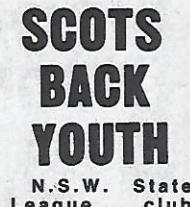
**David Garthwaite**



**Paul Wilding**



**Alan Davidson**



**SCOTS BACK YOUTH**

N.S.W. State League club Arcliffe Scots will be banking on youth to bring them success this year.

Arcliffe has some good junior talent in its ranks, with **Mark Harrington** looking the most promising.

**Richard Schroeder**, top goalscorer for the Scots two seasons ago, returns after a 12-month lay off.

On the topic of coming back, the club is having a reunion night for ex-players on February 2 at 8 p.m. at the club premises.

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# George Best not a team man: Lutton



• George Best

By KYLE PATTERSON

"South Melbourne Hellas will definitely finish in the top four this season," says Bertie Lutton.

*Even though it's weeks before the start of the Phillips League season, this man is sure of success for his new club.*

Hellas signed Lutton, who has represented Northern Ireland at full international level, from Hakoah — Eastern Suburbs for \$8,500 late last year.

For the third time in his career, Bertie teams up with Hellas coach Dave MacLaren. They were at Wolverhampton Wanderers together and Dave brought Bertie to Australia to play for Hakoah when he was coach there two years ago.

Lutton's career in big-time soccer began when he joined Wolves from school.

He made his first team debut at Wolves but later transferred to Brighton and then moved to West Ham.

During this time he played for Northern Ireland six times as well as being a substitute three times.

"The most memorable game was the one against England at Wembley," he says.

"It was during the home championships and it was Bobby Charlton's 100th, full international for England."

"There was 100,000 people there and it was an unforgettable experience for me, even though we went down 0-1."



• Derek Dougan of Wolves — one of Lutton's former team mates.



Bobby Charlton stumbles over Horst Hottges of Germany in a 1970 World Cup game. Bertie Lutton played for Ireland against England in Charlton's 100th international.



Bertie Lutton (inset), in action last week against his former Hakoah-Easts team mate Eddie Thompson (right). Picture by SAM BELFONTE

## Odds are stacked against Tasmania



Wrest Point Rapid, standing from left: B. Evans (team manager), W. Stuetzal (captain), J. Plasonic, T. Wilson, D. Farmery, F. Letic, E. Aliphon. Front: D. Reid, John Dilba, M. Box, P. Kannegeiser, A. Scheibl, B. Cengia, O. Bachinger, Jack Dilba.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

**Despite soccer advances on the Apple Isle, it could take more than 10 years before Tasmania is capable of fielding a national league team.**

*So says Tasmanian official Ron Hurley, of the Wrest Point Rapid Club.*

"Membership of the national league would involve enormous cost," says Hurley, "and we just don't have the crowds to meet those costs."

**"Even a match between Hobart's two strongest clubs, Juventus and Croatia, draws no more than a couple of hundred spectators."**

However, Tasmania is pushing ahead this year with the formation of a State-wide league which will include clubs from the Southern and Northern leagues.

The new league comprises Ulverstone, Devonport, Georgetown,

Launceston United, Launceston Juventus and five clubs from Hobart — Rapid Wrest Point, Sandy Olympia, Newtown White Eagles, Glenorchy Croatia, and Margate Caledonians.

**Wrest Point is the most glamorous of the Tasmanian clubs, due to its involvement with the Wrest Point Casino.**

Ron Hurley, who is casino manager at the complex, suggested sponsorship of the soccer club four years ago, when a few players and committee members were employed at the casino.

General manager Heinz Voss agreed. The complex provided the clubs with assistance for social functions and free prizes for raffles. This year, Wrest Point's sponsorship of the clubs will be worth about \$4,000.

Ron Hurley went onto the committee, but stood down this year to serve on the Federation's tribunal.

**Wrest Point's best year was 1976, when it won the State and Southern championships and also the reserves, under 16 and under 17 cup competitions.**

Among club members who have worked at the casino are Jim



• Ron Hurley, former Rapid president, and casino manager at Wrest Point.

Musgrave and Richard Doggett (committee), Don Farmery, Andy Scheibl, Mick Cavan and Gordon Vell (players).

Star player last year was Don Farmery who, as usual, was the team's top scorer, and also the top marksman in the league.

**While things are looking up for Rapid, Croatia may have difficulties this year.**

Its main backer, Michael "Mr. Croatia" Furjanic, who two years ago helped bring Metros Toronto to Australia, has resigned from the club and joined the board of the TSA.



• Heinz Voss, general manager of the Wrest Point hotel casino complex.

# Kosmina off to Arsenal

**Hot-shot striker John Kosmina leaves Adelaide today (Wednesday) to join London club Arsenal.**

It is understood Kosmina bought his own transfer from Polonia-Adeelaide for about \$20,000 supplied by Arsenal.

The free-scoring Socceroo played on loan to West Adelaide Hellas last year.

Both Hellas and Adelaide Juventus have been trying to sign him up for the 1978 season, but

Polonia's high transfer fee has stood in the way.

Kosmina has been capped 19 times and has scored 12 goals for Australia.

He impressed Arsenal coach Terry Neill when he scored in Australia's 3-1 win over the English club in Sydney last year.

Kosmina, 21, asked how it would be to play alongside Malcolm Mac-

donald, said with a smile: "Who knows, I might even force McDonald out of the side."

Kosmina said he would return to Adelaide during the English off-season and hoped to play guest games here.

If he does not make the grade with Arsenal, he will try his luck in the North American Soccer League.



John Kosmina

## Alexander v Hellas

Fitzroy Alexander and South Melbourne Hellas will clash in a Philips League practice game at Olympic Park tonight (Wednesday) at 8 pm.

On Sunday Hellas will meet St George Budapest at Middle Park at 5 pm.

## Juve missed many stars

By LAURIE SCHWAB

**SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Luton, Ollerton) ADELAIDE JUVENTUS 0.**

Hellas: Hansen 7; Pye 6, Vaughan 7, Kafalatidis 6, Hagegmanouil 5; Lutton 6, Daperis 5, Wright 7, Cummings 5, Ollerton 7, Kent 5 (Kakanis, half time).

Juventus: Romanowicz 5, Marwe 6, Matic 6, Lister 6, B. Nyskohus 7; Kolecki 6, Melts 7, Rigby 6, Kowalski 6, Northcote 5, J. Nyskohus 6.

**South Melbourne Hellas** showed improvement in the second half against Adelaide Juventus but the victory was not fully satisfying as Juventus fielded an experimental team.

Missing were Gary Marocchi, David Leane, Aenor Muniz who is recovering from an operation and Dixie Deans who is still in the UK.

Coach Edmund Krett tried out South Australian State League players Robert Marwe (Croatia), Peter Kowalski (Lion), and Henry Kolecki (Polonia).

Mooroolbark's Dave Rigby and Lion's Bugsey Nyskohus were also in the team.

Nyskohus, brother of John, was the most impressive but he had not yet been signed.

Best player afield was probably young Juventus midfielder Sergio Melts, who played many games as a full back last year.

Peter Ollerton offered himself in all situations. Indeed, Hellas' attacking play was centred on the big man, and on Sammy Wright and Bertie Lutton coming from behind.

Ollerton had stiff opposition from Juventus' Frank Lister yet still managed a good goal and a hand in the other.

Hellas coach Dave MacLaren predicts a big year for Ollerton.

Right, another man of whom MacLaren thinks highly, was better than he was against Hakoah the previous week and we should see the very best from him when the season starts.

Juventus was superior in team work in the first half, playing the inter-passing game that made it so successful last year.

Hellas play was based mainly on long balls to Ollerton. The home team was far from impressive in the first half but played with much more fire and more understanding between the players after the break.

Danish international goalkeeper John Hansen was particularly impressive, saving many dangerous headers and shots from point-blank range.

The first scoring chance fell to John Nyskohus who out-paced Mike Pye on his way to goal, but shot wide on the run.

Then Lutton set Ollerton up for a shot in good position but Ollerton miskicked from close range.

Peter Kolecki figured in a piece of gutsy play when he beat Margaritis Hagegmanouil on a right-wing run and put the ball into the middle.

However, it was in the middle of the attack that Juventus always tried. Brian Northcote, usually a winner, did not do well as central striker, and Juventus will obviously be much better there when Dixie Deans returns.



Alexander's Mike Micevski (right) is shadowed by Neil McGachey of West Adelaide.

## Memories, memories

By KYLE PATTERSON

**FITZROY ALEXANDER 0 WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 2 (MacGregor, Bozanic). Olympic Park, Saturday night. Crowd 1400.**

ALEXANDER: Blasby 7, MacMillan 6, O'Reilly 6, Provan 5, Tansey 5, Taylor 8, Bannon 6, Campbell 6, Bozikas 8, Buljevic 7, Micevski 7. HELLAS: Crook 7, Bozanic 7, Jones 9, Vaglano 6 (Tymczynski 7, half-time), Reynolds 8, McGachey 7, Zivkovic 7 (Zervas, half-time), Boyle 9, McCulloch 7, Honeyman 8, MacFegor 8.

**Memories of last season's 1-8 defeat to Marconi came flooding back to Alexander on Saturday night.**

In the second half the Alexander defence fell to pieces and allowed the West Adelaide Hellas forwards to do as they pleased.

Alexander had trouble stringing two passes together and often gave the ball away in defence.

Even though the rain made the ground slippery and ball control difficult, it was no excuse for Alexander's poor performance.

Hellas, under John Margaritis, the former Fitzroy coach, was quick to capitalise on the mistakes of Alexander's defence. Graham Honeyman and Ian McGregor had the Fitzroy back four at sixes and sevens.

The game started slowly with both sides taking time to adjust to the wet conditions.

Mike McCulloch and Andy Bozikas looked the most dangerous of the Fitzroy forwards in the first half, but Hellas sweeper David Jones let little get past.

Fullback Barry Reynolds

support McGregor on the right flank for Hellas and, with Peter Boyle, kept Jim Tansey on his toes.

The Alexander defence got away with many sloppy passes in defence but in the second half it began to crack.

Ken Taylor nearly put Fitzroy into the lead four minutes into the second half. He blasted a shot at goal from 25 metres and Martin Crook did well to push it over the bar.

Not to be outdone, Alexander keeper Peter Blasby

made an equally good save at the other end from Honeyman.

Alexander paid the penalty for its bad passing in the 61st minute.

Under no pressure whatsoever, the defence gave the ball to Ian McGregor, who tucked it into the net with ease.

From here on in Alexander went downhill.

A feature of West Adelaide's game was the speed in which it went into attack, stretching and exposing the Fitzroy back four.

At one stage Pat Bannon and Jim Campbell stood looking at each other as McGregor strolled in and took the ball.

McGregor then put over a good cross which was headed wide by Honeyman.

Peter Boyle, who had a great game for Hellas in midfield, split the Fitzroy defence with some excellent long balls.

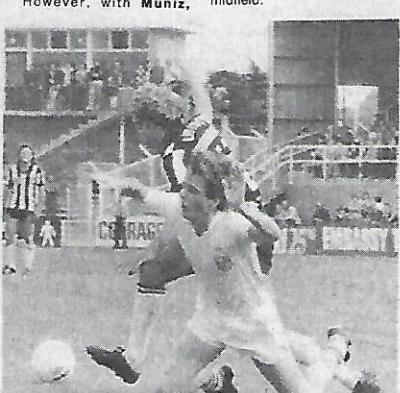
The Alexander players became frustrated, particularly Branko Buljevic, who had a quiet game.

Victor Bozanic scored the second goal four minutes from the end from a free-kick which deflected off the wall into the net.

Honeyman had the chance to make it three, but he put the ball over the bar from close range.

Who knows what the score would have been had John Kosmina, who is going to try out with Arsenal, been playing for Hellas.

Alexander coach Tony Boggi made no bones about his team's performance. "We will have to work on it," he said.



Crash ... goes Duncan Cummings as Juventus full back Robert Marwe storms through. Picture by SAM BELFONTE.

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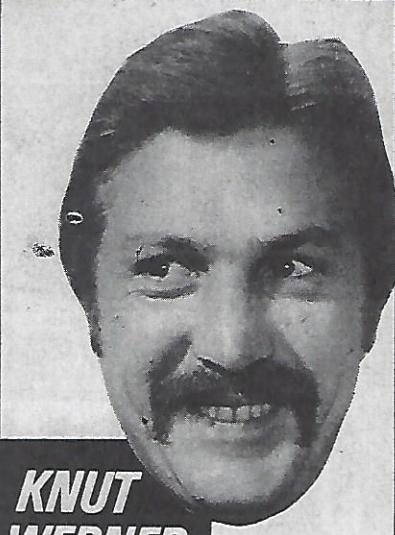
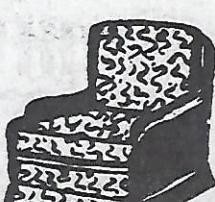
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## Alas, Pele wouldn't co-operate

**Our intrepid editor has done it again. In the premier edition, in his attempt to survey the plight of Australian Soccer in 1978, he has chosen the wrong interviewees.**

This formidable soccer-knowledge, spewing-machine, famous throughout soccerdom for his terse and definitive telephone answering manner of "Hello," has gone to the likes of Peter McCann, George Wallace and Tony Kovac.

I mean, look at their qualifications; a retiree, a bald man and a restaurateur.

Fearful of the ineffectual nature of their unqualified diagnosis, I, constantly at the beck and call of the soccer fraternity, have confected renowned experts in the field so that the truth may be fully comprehended.

Unyielding and steadfast in the execution of this mammoth task, I managed to track down the first quarry, the perspicacious Joe Fumacco.

Aware of this man's aversion to publicity and jetset-like movements, I chartered a tram to the dizzy Melbourne world of the fruit and vegetable market.

Here I cornered "Round Ball Joe," as he is known to the underground world of Zucchini and Brussels sprouts. He was fingering an orange with the finesse and cool eye that has been reserved for his fame.

Before he could shout out, "Two pounds please," and rush off into obscurity, I asked "Round-Ball" what is the greatest problem facing soccer in Australia this year?"

Without having to deliberate, he said: "Manure."

Inspired and impressed with the acerbity of his sharpness, I asked him if he could edify my humbleness further.

"Manure," he repeated, "if they would throw manure on the bald patch of Olympic Park, they could get the grass to grow, and then," he continued, "we begin the path to soccer professionalism."

Reeling with enlightenment, I missed four trams in my effort to return to the editor with my discovery.

"You see, Laurie," I said on my return, "if you ask the right people you get the right answers."

Finally, I thought, I've got him agreeing with me. Smug in my confidence I continued my investigation.

Jim Shoulder was my next victim.

Disguising my voice as that of an ex-British Indian colonel, I telephoned him at a prayer meeting.

"Jimmy, old boy, I say, what do you think of this here dashed soccer problem, what they?"

"Faith and optimism — therein lies our salvation. We are too pessimistic in our approach to soccer," he said.

"All too often have I heard that Australia is out of the World Cup. By Crickety, I think my accent was too heavy. One has a few setbacks and immediately pessimism and dejection is rife throughout the land."

"Earth in God, earthquakes, pestilence and war will see us in the World Cup," he said with uttermost confidence.

"Bip, bip, good show and stiff upper-lip," I replied with resounding enthusiasm as this is all that is good and positive.

Art Eisenbein was next on my list. He had toured the globe liberating small countries whether they needed it or not.

He is to be found at most matches standing to attention and sneering at the sloppily-dressed.

"Ach du lieber, ze prublom here is ze oldies. Ze home defense mob," he ordered.

"You want to build up an aggressive, powerful winning machine, you don't get mitt dit oldies."

"Too young, maybe zree, four years at die latest."

"Die them in ze army, sorry, soccer camp un yoin train, train, TTRAIN."

"Ve vill discover ze mummy's boys kvick smart, uni yoo make zem cooks. Ze rast velt class, zetter stormers."

"No dole bludgers here, baby."

I marched to my next assignment — Pele.

"I don't care what your problem is, you're not getting me out of retirement again," he wept over the phone.

Finally I managed to track down Bluey "The Fish" Carlton.

Eulogising at 10.15 in the Rising Sun, he gave me this piece of advice: "Get the buggers to spend a few hundred thousand quid on a decent boozier at the grounds so we don't have to stand in the bloody cold and rain sucking from warm tubes, and she'll be apes."

Well there you have it. Comments from those really in the know. Not a hotch-potch of amateurs who'll give their opinion to anyone.

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Having a secret ambition to write for a smutty rag, not a first class journal like this (it is money reviewing time again?), I am going to indulge in some juicy gossip.

Who was that well-known Victorian soccer figure, no names as far as I'm concerned, who was a top-classer, caught terpsichorean with a delicious young number, a Miss Maggie McKenzie, at a recent Yorrala function?

Mmmmm, I don't think that was a nervous twitch in the eye of the man with the leer and the light feet.

Fred Villiers eat your heart out!

# BAVARIAN MUNICH: DECLINE OF A GREAT TEAM

Bayern Munich has come a long way down since those recent years in which it won the European Cup three times and provided the players that formed the backbone of Germany's 1974 World Cup winning team.

The departure of Franz Beckenbauer to New York Cosmos proved to be the final straw.

Next came the depar-

ture of coach Dettmar Cramer who left for Eintracht Frankfurt and was replaced by Frankfurt's coach, Gyula Lorant.

When things are good they are very, very good. When they're bad they're awful. Certainly that's been the case with Bayern.

Paul Breitner had left to play for Real Madrid, Uli Hoeneß was in and out of hospital with knee injuries, Björn Andersson was also troubled by injuries, Gerd Müller had an operation to his back and to top it off, there were some unsolved transfers.

They included the Dane Klausen Senerca who managed barely half a dozen games in the senior team and striker Klaus Wunder, the \$350,000 buy from Duisburg whose confidence was destroyed by living in Mueller's shadow.

When Bayern made offers for new players, the price invariably doubled. Wasn't it Europe's top club that was putting out the feelers, and didn't this club have endless money?

The players Bayern did eventually manage to sign were no world beaters, although Schalke's Yugoslav international Branko Oblak did have a big reputation.

Bayern is now floundering in the bottom half of the Bundesliga. Whether or not this great club can recapture the glories of the recent past remains to be seen.

Part of the answer may lie in the progress of Bayern's local rival TSV 1860 Munich. If 1860 builds on its recent improvement, it may well rob Bayern of an even larger share of the Munich audience.



Allan Simonsen — 1977 European Footballer of the Year.



## Bayern's squad

Bayern's former coach Dettmar Cramer (right) and Franz Beckenbauer in happier times.

The Bayern Munich squad is:

	Age	Caps
Goal		
Sepp Maier	32	77
Walter Junghans	19	
Defence:		
Peter Gruber	25	
Wolfgang Rausch	30	
Hans Georg Schwarzenback	29	43
Kurt Niedermayer	22	
Udo Horschman	25	
Wesely Schenk	22	
Sepp Weiss	25	
Midfield:		
Franz Roth	31	4
Branko Oblak	30	45 (Yug.)
Jupp Kapelman	28	5
Bernard Duernberger	24	
Alfred Arbingher	20	
Klaus Augenthaler	20	
Karl Heinz Wohland	24	
Attack:		
Uli Hoeneß	25	35
Karl Heinz Rummling	22	8
Gerd Müller	32	63
Norbert Janzon	27	
Rainer Kuenkel	27	
Erhan Oenal	20	
Eduard Kirschner	24	
Fritz Kloo	20	
Willi Reisinger	19	

## Hungary's finest

The Hungarian newspaper "Nepsport" has chosen the following Hungarian Team of the Year for 1977:

Gaspar (MTK); Torok (Vasas), Istvan Kocsis (Honved), Kereki (Bekescsaba), Magyar (Raba); Pasztor (Bekescsaba), Pinter (Honved), Boros (MTK); Major (Videoton), Torocsko (Dozsa), Tieber (Videoton).

At the half way mark of the Hungarian season, Ujpest Dozsa, with 26 points, was leading the table.

However, its brave 3-3-4 formation sometimes collapsed like a pack of cards and it lacked a class goalkeeper. Stars of the team are Zambo, Torocsko and Fazekas.

In second place was Videoton, with 25 points, the top scoring team.



Allan Simonsen (right) hurdles Kaiserslautern's Kroth and places the ball past goalkeeper Hellstroem, with Wimmer and Scheer in the background.

## Cardiff for sale

Every player at England's Cardiff City is up for sale, says club manager Jimmy Andrews.

Andrews said the club was facing a major crisis.

Secretary Lance Hayward said: "Unless we can sell a couple of players there is a possibility the club could go out of existence."

He estimated the club needed at least 200,000 sterling (\$40,000 Australian dollars) immediately to get back onto its feet, "and adequate revenue after that."

Cardiff City was 18th in the English Second Division, but not in immediate relegation danger.

By the end of the season 1976/1977, Floriana F.C. was the only team in Europe to win the domestic championship without conceding a defeat. Floriana F.C., the second oldest club on sunny Malta, won the league championship for the 26th time in 76 years of history.

Floriana was held twice to a draw, but in the other matches it ran out comfortable winners.

This was not the first time that the Greens won the championship undefeated but it was their first time without a defeat in a 18-match programme.

Floriana is the "team of the moment". It is the backbone of the Malta national team, which participated in Group III (Europe) in the World Cup championships 1978. Eight of the players are full internationals.

Protagonist is Willie Vassallo, captain of the side and of the national team with 23 caps. A natural ball-player, Vassallo, is a tremendous midfielder, dominating in defence, and a capable scorer.

Vassallo tasted professionalism during the last summer months when he was temporarily transferred to play for Green Gully Ajax, in the Victorian State League.

Another prominent midfielder, Ray Xuereb, was having a trial with Newcastle United, the English First Division side.

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EUROPEAN FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR

- 1 ALLAN SIMONSEN (Borussia Mönchengladbach)
- 2 KEVIN KEEGAN (Hamburg, England)
- 3 MICHEL PLATINI (Nancy, France)
- 4 Roberto Bettega (Juventus, Italy)
- 5 Johan Cruyff (Barcelona, Holland)
- 6 Klaus Fischer (Schalke, West Germany)
- 7 Tibor Nyilasi (Ferencvaros, Hungary)
- 8 Rob Rensenbrink (Anderlecht, Belgium)
- 9 Dudu Georgescu (Dinamo Bucharest, Romania)
- 10 Emlyn Hughes (Liverpool, England)
- 11 Steve Heighway (Liverpool, England)
- 12 Berti Vogts (Borussia Mönchengladbach, West Germany)
- 13 Dominique Bathenay (Saint-Etienne, France)

## ALLA EUR

Allan Simonsen of Denmark is the first Dane to win the European Footballer of the Year award.

In one of the closest votes, Simonsen beat Kevin Keegan of Hamburg SV by 74 to 71, with Michel Platini of Nancy in third place with 70 votes.

Johan Cruyff, the only player to have won the award three times, finished with only 23 votes.

It is rumored that Barcelona will eventually bid a fortune for Platini as the successor to Cruyff.

Voting for the European Player of the Year award is done by leading sports journalists in each European country.

They are asked to list in order the five players they consider to have been outstanding during the season.

Allan Simonsen, at just 25, has been with German club Moenchengladbach for five years.

He was signed from Danish club Vejle in 1973 and has played nearly 20 times for Denmark.

Simonsen, 25, was a major force in Moenchengladbach's league hat trick from 1975-1977. Its UEFA Cup triumph



Kevin Keegan (left) running up to the European Player of the Year voting, heads past Berliner Cup match between his former club Liverpool, and Moenchengladbach.

## Malta champs unbeaten

Anton Camilleri, George Ciantar, Frankie Micallef, John Holland, Eddie Farrugia and George Xuereb are full internationals.

Floriana could be considered as a "family team".

There were occasions when four pairs of brothers played in the same match. George and Ray Xuereb, Dorian, John and Julian Holland, and Ronny Farrugia and Frankie Powie Micallef are brothers!

Floriana undoubtedly the most successful team in domestic competition, is coached by Tony Formosa, previously boss of Hamrun Spartans, Valletta F.C. and Malta.

Formosa was Malta's coach when the locals played England at Wembley Stadium (0-5) in the European Football Championships in 1971.

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Rudi Krol (Ajax Amsterdam, Holland)	3
Marius Tresor (Marseille, France)	3
20 Rainer Bonhof (Borussia Mo. West Germany)	2
Heinz Flohe (1st FC Kofn, West Germany)	2
Ruud Geels (Ajax Amsterdam, Holland)	2
Dieter Muller (Kon., West Germany)	2
Jose Pirri (Real Madrid, Spain)	2
Peter Shilton (Nottingham Forest, England)	2
26 Giancarlo Antognoni (Fiorentina, Italy)	1
Jurgen Grabowski (Eintracht Frankfurt, West Germany)	1
Andras Torocsik (Ujpest Dozsa, Hungary)	1
Gerard Janvion (Saint-Etienne, France)	1
Ray Kennedy (Liverpool, England)	1
Hans Krankl (Rapid Vienna, Austria)	1
Gordon McQueen (Leeds, Scotland)	1

# N SIMONSEN OPE'S BEST

Russia Moenchengladbach became the 1974 — Cruyff  
European Footballer of the Year award when 1975 — Oleg Blokhin  
selected by Paris magazine "France Foot-  
ball".

and last year's run in  
Champion's Cup, in  
it lost to Liverpool in  
final.

the absence of injured  
Heyckes for much of  
Simonsen was virtually  
man forward line, teas-  
ing defenders with his skills  
speed.

nomination, plus those  
in mates Bert Vogts, In-  
reiner Bonhof, meant  
Moenchengladbach  
equal with Liverpool  
ues, Kennedy and  
in, who played there  
joining Hamburg) as  
ub with the most players  
in the awards.

a best represented  
ry was West Germany,  
six players — Klaus  
er, Heinz Flohe, Berti  
, Dieter Mueller, Rainer  
of and Juergen  
wski.

PAST WINNERS  
— Stanley Matthews  
(Blackpool, England)  
— Alfredo di Stefano  
(Real Madrid, Argen-  
tina, Spain)

- 1958 — Raymond Kopa (Real Madrid, France)
- 1959 — Di Stefano
- 1960 — Luis Suarez (Barcelona, Spain)
- 1961 — Omar Sivori (Juventus, Argentina, Italy)
- 1962 — Josef Masopust (Dukla Prague, Czechoslovakia)
- 1963 — Lev Yashin (Moscow Dynamo, Russia)
- 1964 — Denis Law (Manchester United, Scotland)
- 1965 — Silve Eusebio (Benfica, Portugal)
- 1966 — Bobby Charlton (Manchester United, England)
- 1967 — Florian Albert (Ferencvaros, Hungary)
- 1968 — George Best (Manchester United, Northern Ireland)
- 1969 — Gianni Rivera (Milan, Italy)
- 1970 — Gerd Muller (Bayern Munich, West Germany)
- 1971 — Johan Cruyff (Ajax, Holland)
- 1972 — Franz Beckenbauer (Bayern Munich, West Germany)
- 1973 — Cruyff (Barcelona, Holland)



## Europe tour for Brazil

Brazil will tour  
Europe from April 1 to  
19, after meeting  
Argentina in home and  
away matches for the  
Roca Cup during  
March.

The European tour will  
take in games against  
France, West Germany,  
Atletico de Madrid, England  
and Holland.

On their return, the  
Brazilians will play further  
friendly internationals at  
home before leaving for the  
World Cup finals in Argentina  
on May 26.

Vogts in a UEFA



## Rep to Bastia

Holland's Johnny Rep, on the ground, is foiled by Mike Doyle and Kevin Beattie in a game against England.

Dutch World Cup star Johnny Rep has joined French team Bastia, replacing Dragan Dzajic who has returned to Red Star Belgrade.

Rep was previously with Valencia.

## Offer to Zagalo

Botafogo of Rio de Janeiro has offered Mario Zagalo \$8000 a month to return from Kuwait and join them as coach.

Zagalo coached the Kuwait national team in its World Cup qualifying games.

# IRAN UNBEATEN

The following is a classification by the English magazine "World Soccer" of international results by European teams and the more successful teams from elsewhere (note the high position of Iran):

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	% Success
HOLLAND	6	5	1	0	10.1	10.1	91.6%
Portugal	4	3	1	0	10.3	10.3	87.5
Iran	14	10	4	0	21.4	21.4	85.6
Austria	8	5	3	0	17.3	17.3	81.2
Mexico	13	9	3	1	36.12	36.12	80.7
West Germany	11	7	3	1	23.9	23.9	77.2
Brazil	13	7	6	0	26.5	26.5	76.9
East Germany	7	5	0	2	19.7	19.7	75.0
Italy	10	6	2	2	18.9	18.9	70.0
Scotland	8	4	3	1	12.4	12.4	68.7
Hungary	14	8	3	3	31.20	31.20	67.8
Rumania	9	5	2	2	20.10	20.10	66.6
Argentina	11	5	4	2	17.11	17.11	63.6
Bulgaria	8	4	2	2	12.9	12.9	62.5
Russia	10	5	2	3	17.8	17.8	60.0
Spain	6	3	1	2	5.5	5.5	58.3
Tunisia	13	6	3	4	17.13	17.13	57.7
Israel	7	2	4	1	8.6	8.6	57.1
Uruguay	9	3	4	2	11.8	11.8	55.5
England	11	4	4	3	13.7	13.7	54.5
Peru	13	5	4	4	24.16	24.16	53.8
Poland	13	6	2	5	22.21	22.21	53.8
Wales	9	2	5	2	6.5	6.5	50.0
Paraguay	14	5	4	5	16.16	16.16	50.0
Denmark	10	5	0	5	18.19	18.19	50.0
Czechoslovakia	9	3	2	4	8.10	8.10	44.4
Chile	8	3	1	4	11.12	11.12	43.7
Eire	5	1	2	2	2.3	2.3	40.0
Sweden	10	4	0	6	9.14	9.14	40.0
Switzerland	9	3	1	5	7.13	7.13	38.8
Ecuador	9	3	1	5	8.14	8.14	38.8
Yugoslavia	13	4	2	7	17.23	17.23	38.4
Bolivia	11	3	2	6	13.30	13.30	36.3
N. Ireland	7	2	1	4	7.12	7.12	35.7
Finland	8	2	1	5	6.16	6.16	31.2
Venezuela	5	1	1	3	3.8	3.8	30.0
Norway	6	1	1	4	4.8	4.8	25.0
Greece	8	1	2	5	3.18	3.18	25.0
Iceland	5	1	0	4	3.12	3.12	20.0
Belgium	6	1	0	5	5.8	5.8	16.6
Colombia	7	0	2	5	2.14	2.14	14.2
Turkey	8	1	0	7	6.14	6.14	12.5
Cyprus	3	0	0	3	2.9	2.9	0.0
Malta	6	0	0	6	1.25	1.25	0.0
Luxembourg	4	0	0	4	0.11	0.11	0.0



## GILES FOR USA

Johnny Giles  
Johnny Giles  
will play for  
American National  
League side Philadelphia  
Furies in the  
northern summer.  
Giles denied he  
would get 1,000 sterling  
(1,690 Aust. Dollars) a game from  
the Furies and said that his career in the  
United States would not interfere with his  
commitments to Ireland.

Ireland plays Denmark in the European  
Nations Cup on May 24, but Giles said he  
would be returning to Ireland a few days  
before then.

Giles also said there  
may be a reciprocal  
arrangement between  
his club, Shamrock  
Rovers, and the Furies.  
This would mean an  
exchange deal between the two clubs  
with the Americans playing in League of  
Ireland soccer in the  
winter and the Irish  
playing in America  
during the summer.

## Most came to see Pete

### NASL ATTENDANCES — 1977

Total	Games	Average	Cosmos Game	Normal Average
443,847	13	34,142		
426,020	13	32,771		
314,936	13	24,226	41,270	22,805
253,390	13	19,492	45,288	17,341
230,610	13	17,739		
214,646	13	16,511		
171,708	13	13,208		
169,757	13	13,058	31,283	11,523
154,660	13	11,897	30,277	10,365
125,354	13	9,643	32,165	7,765
118,455	13	9,112	32,605	7,154
105,923	13	8,148	14,358	7,630
95,369	13	7,336	21,793	6,131
92,496	13	7,115	11,896	6,716
78,843	13	6,065	17,572	5,005
67,593	13	5,199	21,108	3,873
59,146	13	4,550	12,877	3,855
50,027	13	3,848	17,302	2,727

## Fiji national league

While Australia prepares for its second season of national league soccer, Fiji will celebrate a similar landmark.

The Fiji national league, sponsored for \$4000 by Air New Zealand, started at the same time as its Australian counterpart.

However, it was formed differently.

The Fiji FA took the top eight soccer districts and made them the national league. They are Lautoka, Ba, Nadi, Labasa, Rewa, Suva, Ba and Sigatoka.

Within each district there are various clubs and competitions. These districts produce a

representative team to compete in the national league, but the same players may also play in their local district competitions.

An interesting rule is that no overseas player is allowed to play in national league games unless: He has been living in Fiji for six months and has either become a Fijian citizen or is employed in Fiji for a period no less than two years.

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## Bethany

State League W D L F A P  
George Cross ... 14 5 2 18 16 34  
Slyvia ... 10 7 6 3 3 27 27  
Jevons ... 9 8 3 10 20 20  
Altona ... 7 11 4 3 30 24  
Frankston ... 10 5 7 30 25  
Sandringham ... 9 8 3 18 28 24  
Eas Lin ... 8 4 10 24 27 25  
Hawthorn ... 8 11 7 10 20 19  
Makindale ... 5 6 9 28 30 19  
Green Gully ... 3 11 8 23 35 17  
Prahran ... 2 4 16 21 47 8

## 1st Division

W D L F A P  
Aldton Rivers ... 17 1 4 6 21 35  
Croydon ... 14 4 4 13 18 22  
Ardeer ... 11 5 6 14 36 27  
Box Hill ... 11 5 6 14 28 27  
Keller-Austria ... 10 5 7 32 27 25  
Dandenong ... 8 9 4 26 32 22  
Waverley ... 8 4 9 25 27 22  
Springvale ... 8 4 10 30 31 20  
Keller City ... 7 6 8 30 39 20  
West Suburbs ... 7 4 11 24 41 18  
Melbourne ... 4 4 14 28 58 12  
St. Albans ... 2 1 19 16 20 4

## 2nd Division

W D L F A P  
Devonport ... 10 5 6 18 20 30  
Malvern ... 13 6 5 20 20 20  
Eltham ... 9 7 6 14 27 25  
Fitz-Almond ... 8 7 7 22 30 23  
Footscray ... 8 5 8 29 31 22  
Bell Park ... 8 6 8 34 45 20  
Brighton ... 8 3 11 21 34 19  
Feets-JUST ... 8 6 10 29 43 18  
Merion ... 5 8 9 28 43 18  
Moorebank ... 5 5 12 32 45 15  
St. Mel's Hellas ... 4 5 13 24 42 13

## State League Reserves

W D L F A P  
Sunshine ... 13 5 4 35 20 31  
Jevons ... 12 4 5 31 22 22  
Slyvia ... 9 9 4 28 16 27  
George Cross ... 10 6 5 36 27 23  
Hawthorn ... 7 1 4 11 16 23  
Prahran ... 5 6 7 15 27 25  
Prahran Gold Medalist ... 2 1 1 1 1 1

## 1st Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Croydon ... 15 5 15 17 37  
Aldton Rivers ... 12 6 4 27 31 30  
West Suburbs ... 11 4 7 42 27 25  
Keller City ... 10 5 7 32 27 25  
Box Hill ... 10 5 7 34 29 25  
Dandenong ... 9 5 8 24 29 23  
Ardeer ... 6 8 8 22 22 23  
Springvale ... 8 4 10 29 32 18  
Waverley ... 6 5 11 24 38 17  
Keller-Austria ... 5 6 11 20 35 17  
Frankston ... 5 7 10 24 30 19  
Makindale ... 4 8 10 14 25 16  
Raggeded ... 2 4 10 15 45 8

## 2nd Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Devonport ... 17 3 2 71 17 37  
Brighton ... 14 2 6 42 44 32  
Eltham ... 11 6 5 45 31 23  
Fitz-Almond ... 8 7 47 32 29  
Footscray ... 8 5 8 24 43 23  
Bell Park ... 9 5 8 14 43 23  
St. Mel's Hellas ... 4 9 4 36 35 22

## 3rd Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Sunshine ... 13 5 4 35 20 31  
Jevons ... 12 4 5 31 22 22  
Slyvia ... 9 9 4 28 16 27  
George Cross ... 10 6 5 36 27 23  
Hawthorn ... 7 1 4 11 16 23  
Prahran ... 5 6 7 15 27 25  
Prahran Gold Medalist ... 2 1 1 1 1 1

## 4th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Croydon ... 15 5 15 17 37  
Aldton Rivers ... 12 6 4 27 31 30  
West Suburbs ... 11 4 7 42 27 25  
Keller City ... 10 5 7 32 27 25  
Box Hill ... 10 5 7 34 29 25  
Dandenong ... 9 5 8 24 29 23  
Ardeer ... 6 8 8 22 22 23  
Springvale ... 8 4 10 29 32 18  
Waverley ... 6 5 11 24 38 17  
Keller-Austria ... 5 6 11 20 35 17  
Frankston ... 5 7 10 24 30 19  
Makindale ... 4 8 10 14 25 16  
Raggeded ... 2 4 10 15 45 8

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## 2nd Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Devonport ... 17 3 2 71 17 37  
Brighton ... 14 2 6 42 44 32  
Eltham ... 11 6 5 45 31 23  
Fitz-Almond ... 8 7 47 32 29  
Footscray ... 8 5 8 24 43 23  
Bell Park ... 9 5 8 14 43 23  
St. Mel's Hellas ... 4 9 4 36 35 22

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Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 3rd Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 4th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 5th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 6th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
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## 7th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
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Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
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## 8th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 9th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 10th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 11th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 12th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 13th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 14th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 15th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 16th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 17th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 18th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 19th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 20th Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
Escondido ... 8 7 27 37 30  
Moorebank ... 5 9 8 29 46 19  
Collingwood ... 6 4 12 29 35 22  
Richmond ... 8 3 11 34 49 14  
Footscray ... 0 6 16 13 73 6

## 21st Division Reserves

W D L F A P  
Knox City ... 14 4 5 21 32 22  
Mt. Melbourne ... 13 5 4 44 23 31  
Cheltenham ... 13 5 4 44 24 31  
Prahran ... 10 6 5 44 33 25  
Hoddleberg ... 7 9 6 30 28 23  
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# BRISBANE TO LOSE \$150,000 BACKING?

By BRUCE WADDELL

*Living Insurance may withdraw its \$150,000 sponsorship of Brisbane City.*

*Unofficial reports say the sponsorship deal proved unsatisfactory.*

*It was based on the club's ability to help sell insurance.*

Apparently Brisbane City has not been too successful.

This is also the basis of Living Insurance's sponsorship of Adelaide City Juventus.

Brisbane City secretary Guido Canale said last week Living Insurance and his club was currently having discussions to resolve the future of the business association.

The club will be in the hands of Brian Daykin, an Englishman who coached in Newcastle several years ago, and who since has been in charge of Brighton and Hove Albion in the English Second Division.

He said a statement would be issued before

the start of the season on March 4.

Meanwhile, Brisbane Lions, one of the most consistent second round national league clubs last season, looks like adding only a handful of newcomers to its squad for the 1978 competition.

Lions' Major signing to date is striker **Barrie Fairbrother**, from Mooroolbark. Despite some rumors, Lions fear no problems with the transaction, which would make Fairbrother the bargain purchase of the new season.

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At the back, Lions have retained Soccerco Col Bennett, skipper **George Potter** and fullback **Alan Niven**, but Daykin is in search of a sweeper to support Bennett, indicating he feels Potter will be better suited to the side this year in one of the fullback positions.

Daykin is negotiating with Preston North End's sweeper **Graham Cross**, who if signed will be in Brisbane by April.

The basis of Lion's midfield formation will be provided again by **Eddie Spearri** and **John Neale**, who played most of last season as a straight-through striker.

Daykin says he wants a workhorse in the Nobby



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**Stiles** mould to play in between that pair.

**The player in mind for that role would figure in one of the major announcements of the season.**

He is currently playing in the English First Division but Daykin at this stage will not release any further details.

Other midfield men in the squad are last season's regular **Ian Fagan**, **Phil Thompson** and **John Wilkinson**.

**Thompson** (Merton East) and **Wilkinson** (Sunnyside United) belong to Brisbane First Division clubs.

They are currently on trial and could be signed if they

adapt to the national league.

**Wilkinson** already has proved his worth by filling in for Bennett on a couple of occasions last season.

Up front, the signing of **Fairbrother** will take a tremendous load of **Geoff Morris**, the club's leading goalscorer last season, who Daykin says will now be able to concentrate more on orthodox left-wing football.

Daykin still has an opening for a target man to take the pressure of this pair and in this category he has included **Paul Lallo**, **Ian Lewrie** and **Paul Hughes**.

**Lasio**, the former Yugoslav youth international, scored some great goals under pressure last year. The powerful youngster Lewrie did not impress as a midfielder, but Daykin feels he could be used to "create space and receive" up front and be seen to better advantage.

**Hughes** is somewhat of a surprise nomination as he also did not flatter last year, but Daykin feels he was used incorrectly so only time will tell.

The third overseas player in mind is Southend striker **Gerry Fell**, and he could well tip all of those just mentioned out of the side if signed.

Daykin has created early strong impressions with his outlook and tips that any team that beats Lions, if Lions are comprised the way he anticipates, will be one of the major forces in the League. He has beaten Brisbane only five weeks since being chosen as late replacement for **Les Scheinfeld**, who returned reluctantly to Sydney for family reasons, but already has instilled in the club much of the confidence and vigour of his predecessor.

If Lions have been quiet in the early transfer dealings, City, which finished just below them in last season's league, has been even more so.

City has given its fans only one look at its wares so far, with a trial against the promising newcomer Newcastle United at Perry Park, the match finishing in a 1-1 draw.

The only regular missing from that side were goalkeeper **Osvaldo Borzi**, who is still holidaying in his native Argentina, striker **Ian Johnston**, usually a slow starter in pre-season preparations, and of course **Jim Hermiston**.

**Kim Wleshart** will again be Borzi's deputy and the backline is basically the same, **Hermiston** notwithstanding, comprising **Ian Rathmell**, **Peter Tokesi**, **Brian Kibbey** and **Tom McLeod**, perhaps the most successful of City's imports last year.

Status quo has been maintained in the midfield, with the retention of **Roberto Echeverria**, **Larry Gaffney** and a much slimmer **Frank Pimblett**.

Up front, City still has **Johnston**, workhorse **Kevin Caldwell** and the occasionally brilliant **Willie Conner**, plus **John Cooney**.

**John Lavelle** is a handy player to have ready to fill a defensive position, and City also is trialling three players, with a view to possible purchase.

They are two locals, centre forward **Barry Kelso** and mid-fielder **Chris Hill**, two members of Redlands United, Brisbane First Division grand final winners in 1977, and big Western Suburbs (Sydney) forward **Brian Dodd**.

**Kelso** scored a goal for Queensland during the 4-4 draw with the Soccercos in Brisbane late last year and Hill has been a long serving member of the State under-18 team.

Dodd showed some fine touches against Newcastle, has some great positional sense and could be expected to sign if terms can be agreed on with Wests.

City's main problem at this stage again appears to be the lack of an effective striker but the club is negotiating with two First Division Argentines and is hopeful of success.

Another late report suggests City is on the verge of signing full back **Steve Perry** and Western Suburbs and such a move would undoubtedly make life much easier for Borzi.

It will be interesting to see how this basically unchanged lineup performs under the banner of Phillips Cup holder and under the leadership of former Sydney coach **Luciano Nesti**.

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Brisbane City stars Ian Johnston, (left) who hasn't started training yet, and goalkeeper Osvaldo Borzi who is holidaying in his native Argentina.

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# CROWDS TURN HIM ON!

## Barrie's used to big-time matches

By KYLE PATTERSON

**Lots of players can't play in front of big crowds, but for Barrie Fairbrother, the former Orient and Millwall striker, the opposite applied.**

"It was two months before I played well in Australia," says Barrie, "and put it down to the lack of big crowds."

And fair enough too. No player could motivate himself before a handful of spectators after having played most of his career in front of crowds of 20,000 or more chanting fans."

Fairbrother played the second half of last season with Mooroolbark, whose crowds wouldn't have done justice to a State League game.

"It took me a while to adjust to the climate and the crowds," says Barrie, "but I thought I played well in the last half dozen games of last year."

Fairbrother came to Australia in July. Unlike some other big name players he came for more than just a few weeks.

"It's not worth bringing



Barrie Fairbrother

our players like Malcolm Macdonald or Charlie George unless they are going to play the whole season and really work for the team," says Barrie.

Fairbrother intends spending the rest of his playing career in Australia.

"At 27 I think I've got six years left as a player," he says. "But I've got to make

the most of it and get financial security."

For that reason, Barrie is moving to Brisbane Lions.

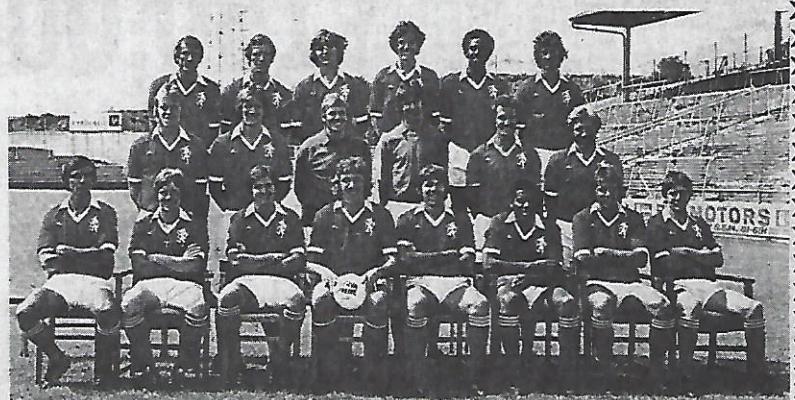
Fairbrother started his career in big time soccer at 16, when he became an apprentice at Orient about the time Barrie started.

Dennis, Tommy and I were all in the Orient first team together," says Barrie.

He then transferred to Millwall where he teamed up with Gordon Hill, now with Manchester United.

Gordon had a lot of natural ability," says Barrie, "and was tremendously skillful."

Barrie played more than 250 games for Orient and Millwall, scoring more than 50 goals.



Barrie Fairbrother (extreme right, middle row), with the Millwall squad before he came to Melbourne. The squad is, from left, back row: Barry Salvage, Alan Welsh, Lee Templeman, Steve Hamberger, Trevor Lee, Alan Dorney. Middle row: Dave Donaldson, Jon Moore, Ray Goddard, Nicky Johns, Phil Summerhill, Barrie Fairbrother. Front row: Terry Shanahan, Terry Brisley, John Seasman, Barry Kitchener, Tony Hazell, Phil Walker, Ray Evans, George Borg.

for a holiday in two years.

Barrie's entry into Australia soccer was further hampered by the internal troubles at Mooroolbark.

"The players did a great job keeping the spirit in the team when things went wrong," says Barrie.

Barrie and his wife Sian intend returning to England.

## Glykokalamos for Wests?

**Victorian First Division club Western Suburbs has been negotiating for brilliant defender Mike Glykokalamos of Fitzroy Alexander.**

Glykokalamos, 31, was team captain of Panetolikos in Greece during his six years with that club. He also played for Kazonis in Greece.

Glykokalamos left Kazonis in 1962 to join the now defunct Brunswick Athena club in Melbourne.

From there he went to Alexander before returning to Greece to play for Panetolikos.

He returned to Australia in 1976 and was Alexander's best player that season.

Last year he had a few differences with the club and after starring early, he lost his place to Bob Provan.

Another new man at Western Suburbs is George Skorsi, 20, from Industrial League club KSC.

## Hili for sale

**Doveton have placed Godwin Hill, the club's top goalscorer last season, on the transfer list.**

Any clubs interested in Hili, formerly of George Cross, should contact secretary Tom Torrance on 792 5988 (evening only).

Striker Steve Gaw has been appointed assistant coach to Danny McNamee at Doveton.

Billy Vojtek is chaired off the field after scoring the winning goal for Split.

Godwin Hill



Mike Glykokalamos of Fitzroy-Alexander

## Melbourne may lose its ground

**Melbourne, one of the oldest and most famous clubs in Victoria, faces a crisis because of a few feet of land.**

The club's ground outside Middle Park is too short by Victorian Soccer Federation standards and now Melbourne face another year of wandering like gypsies from ground to ground.

"We are trying to purchase a 10-acre block in Moorabbin," says Melbourne official Julius Kublik, "but the developer doesn't want a sub-divide the block, which is 30 acres in all."

"I am going to appeal to VSF secretary George Wallace to let us use the ground outside Middle Park," he continued. "After all, Melbourne was one of the founder members of the Federation and put up £2000 along with the other founder clubs. Surely the Federation can do us a favour."

Doncaster Rovers, promoted to the Third division for 1978, will be looking to establish itself this season.

The last time Rovers won promotion they slid back the following season. Under experienced coach Norm Hobson it should be different this time.

Peter Willeberg returns to Doncaster after a spell at Richmond.

## Sandy joins Moreland

**Sandy Henderson, the former Hakoah goalkeeper, is the new coach of Moreland.**

The club has embarked on a four-year plan which aims at making it great again, and hopes Henderson can lift it into the First division this season.

Moreland gave notice of its determination to succeed by defeating State League Club, Altona 2-1 in a trial game last week.

Henderson coached Box Hill last season.

Moreland held a "meet the coach-back to Moreland" day which was well attended by supporters and past players last Sunday.

Moreland has signed brothers David and Paul Locley, who played in the Worcester League in and has promising Juniors Rob Cortesa, Gary Paola, Ian Merga, Angie Acosta and Zoran Trajkovic coming into senior ranks.

As part of the four-year plan, sponsors have put money into the club. The first project is the building of a temporary grandstand at Moreland's Campbell Reserve.

Coburg Council has assisted by improving the playing area at Campbell Reserve so that another pitch can be marked out.

Croydon's hit

Croydon's new clubrooms are proving a great success.

The eastern suburbs club is averaging 200 people at its bingo on Monday nights in the newly air-conditioned rooms.

Croydon hopes that youngster Mark Brown goes on to big things this year. Seventeen-year-old Mark represented Victoria at Under 16 level last year and has the talent to make the first team.

## Berardini is back



**First division club, Box Hill is aiming for a hat-trick of Cumberland Cup wins.**

Under new coach Colin Hasler, the Hillmen will be going all-out to make it three in a row.

Serge Berardini (pictured) who played in both Cumberland Cup finals for Box Hill, returns after missing half of last season while working in Canterbury.



Sandy Henderson during his heyday as goalkeeper with Hakoah.

Groupings for the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina this year:

**GROUP ONE**  
Argentina  
Italy  
Hungary  
France

**GROUP TWO**  
West Germany  
Poland  
Mexico  
Tunisia

**GROUP THREE**  
Brazil  
Sweden  
Austria  
Spain

**GROUP FOUR**  
Holland  
Scotland  
Iran  
Peru



Coach Cesar Luis Menotti.

# Little hope for Menotti's men

So many factors work against Argentina that it's difficult to see Cesar Luis Menotti's team making capital of the advantage of playing at home in the World Cup.

One of Argentina's greatest hurdles may well be Menotti's own idealism.

He is fiercely committed to a style of play that is diametrically opposed to the style adopted by most of Argentina's clubs.

While the clubs base their games on defence, Menotti demands that his national team put the emphasis on attack — an admirable ambition, but one that is fraught with danger.

Menotti must realise it himself. "If I play four backs and five halves it would be easier, but we can't go into a World Cup with these tactics which are played by our club teams," he says. "They use high passes into the opposition's half, but that somebody will head them in. Everybody defends and hopes a fast counter attack will catch the opposition unaware."

"I don't want this to be the image of Argentine soccer. With the national team I would like to destroy old theories which are no longer of any use. I would like to show that we can win by playing good attacking soccer."

Obviously Menotti will have to change the fundamental thinking of his players, although he has gone for men who are at least sympathetic to his approach.

His biggest problem is lack of fire power up front, and you can't play attacking soccer without good men who are able to put the ball into the net.

To strengthen his attack, he has had to look to Spain, the new home of Mario Kempes who was transferred from Rosario Central to Valencia for an Argentine record price of about \$840,000.

In his first Spanish season, Kempes, 22, was top scorer in the league, scoring 24 goals, two more than Espanol, Barcelona's Rafael Maranon.

In 1974 he scored 29 goals for Rosario, in 1975 he scored 35 and in 1976 he grabbed 21.

Kempes has played 23 international matches for Argentina including the 1974 World Cup finals and has scored a total of 14 goals for his country.

No wonder Menotti wants him in his squad. He says his first choice would be based on Kempes, Luque, Bertoni, and Houseman.

Menotti has also had to look overseas for another Argentinian expatriate, Osvaldo Plaza, of the French club St. Etienne.

The Argentinian FA decided last year to ban transfers abroad for players needed for World Cup duty, but the decision came much



Argentina, 1978: standing from left: Pasarella, Gallegos, Killer, Pernia, Baley, Tarantini. Front: Bertoni, Andries, Luque, Bochini, Ortiz.



Argentina's 1974 World Cup squad in Germany, standing from left: Carnevali, Guerini, Brindisi, Houseman, Heredia, Correa, Filoli, Ghiso, Pernia, Sanchez. Front: Telch, Babington, Avallay, Chazarreta, Ponce, Alonso, Wolff, Ayala, Esposito, Rial.

too late. Most of the big stars had gone by then: Kempes, Piazza, Bianchi, Scotta, Alonso (now back), Brindisi, Babington, Heredia, Bargas and others.

It's impractical to get all of them back. It's probably impossible. Those Menotti does manage to lure home for the World Cup, face the handicap of jealousy.

Carlo Babington, who plays for German second division club SG Wattenscheid, exists. There's a lot of jealousy among players in Argentina. At the time of the last World Cup, the "exiles" who were called in at the last moment were resented by the rest of the squad."

Menotti freely admits that his team lacks a strong leader on the field. He yearns for a Johan Cruyff or a Franz Beckenbauer.

Other problems have been frequent difficulties in getting the squad together for training due to club commitments, shortage of international fixtures and the fact that the present standard of club soccer is extremely low.

One fundamental difference between Argentine and European players, says Menotti, is that when an Argentinian loses the ball "it takes him a minute to realise the game continues." In other words, the words think slowly.

In matches at home against Poland, West Germany, England, Scotland, France, Yugoslavia and



Rene Houseman

East Germany last year, a number of serious shortcomings in the Argentine team were highlighted.

These were:

- The defence does not clear the ball fast enough, thus throwing away the chance for quick counter attacks.

- The midfielders hold the ball too long;

- In attack, Houseman may be unstoppable but his efforts are individual ones, not connected with flowing play. Bertoni is the only one willing to have a go at the slightest chance;

- Bertoni and Pernia were both sent off, reminding us once again of the difficulty the Argentinians have in controlling their tempers.

For all that, however, Argentina will nevertheless boast some exciting players in the finals.

Ricardo Bertoni, 23, who has a tough left foot and can play on the wing as well as striker, may be one of the revelations of the series. He scored 22 goals last season to finish third in the national rankings and push his club, Independiente, to second place behind River Plate. Against Hungary just over a year ago he hit an impressive hat-trick in Argentina's 5-1 win.

Whether Diego Maradona will be recalled remains to be seen. He would certainly catch the eye, for he is only 16 years old.

Of course Piazza, 30, would also be a big hit. He has long been established as one of the finest sweepers in the world.

Then there's captain Carrascosa, a sound defender, and hard-working midfielder Andries who's also capable of fine play.

the last  
sixteen

## 21 players tried out

From EGIDIO BASILE GRAZZI in Buenos Aires.

Twenty-two European teams of the 34 Associations affiliated to UEFA have played against the Argentinian team to date.

Until now, these confrontations have given rise to a total of 72 matches, some of which were part of the world championships (1930, 1958, 1962, 1966), of the Olympic Games (1928-1960) and some friendly internationals.

Details of the matches played by the Argentinian team against Euro-

pions are as follows:

	W	D	L	F	A
Belgium	1	0	0	3	3
Belarus	1	0	0	1	0
Czechoslovakia	1	0	1	2	3
Denmark	1	0	1	1	1
Portugal	1	1	0	2	1
Spain	7	1	2	7	6
France	7	3	1	7	4
Netherlands	2	0	2	1	0
Hungary	3	1	1	5	3
England	8	2	3	9	10
Ireland North	1	0	0	3	1
Italy	5	1	3	10	9
Portugal	8	2	1	4	3
Poland	8	1	1	11	10
Germany FR	4	1	2	9	11
Germany DR	2	1	0	1	0
Romania	1	0	0	1	0
Ireland Rep	1	0	0	1	0
Sweden	1	0	1	2	3
Switzerland	1	0	0	2	0
USSR	6	2	1	8	5
Yugoslavia	4	2	1	7	6
22 countries	72	30	21	21	98

As further statistical data, we also add a table of matches between youth teams:

	W	D	L	F	A
Belgium	1	0	0	4	4
Spain	1	0	0	1	1
France	3	2	1	6	5
Netherlands	2	2	0	11	1
Hungary	2	2	0	3	1
Greece	1	1	0	3	3
Germany FR	2	1	0	1	4
Turkey	1	1	0	1	4
8 countries	13	10	1	23	19

a gate (excluding season ticket holders) of 105,264,350 new Argentine Pesos.

The best gate was against England, which amounted to the sum of 33,080,300 new Pesos and the least was against the German DR, which reached 21,813,700 Pesos.

Players used:

Goalkeepers: Gatti (Boca) and Baley (Huracan); Defenders: Pernia and Tarantini (Boca), Pasarella (River), Carrascosa (Huracan), Killer (Racing) and Olgui (San Lorenzo); Wings: Ardiles (Huracan), Villa (Racing), Bochini (Independiente), Gallego and Roche (Newell's) and Galvan (Independiente);

Forwards: Houseman and Larrosa (Huracan), Luque, Ortiz and Gonzalez (River), Bertoni (Independiente) and Trosero (Newell's).

The matches of the international series were:

29.5.77, Argentina v Poland, 3-1.

5.6.77, Argentina v Germany FR, 1-3.

12.6.77, Argentina v England, 1-1.

18.6.77, Argentina v Scotland, 1-1.

28.6.77, Argentina v France, 0-0.

3.7.77, Argentina v Yugoslavia, 1-0.

12.7.77, Argentina v German DR, 2-0.



Americo Ruben Gallego

## GOALKEEPER AND PLAYERS WANTED

For Victorian Second Division club RICHMOND.

Those interested should ring Hans Kus on 459 7312 (bus.).



Carlos Babington — playing in Germany.



Carlos Babington — playing in Germany.

Next week: AUSTRIA

ZIKA NIKOLIC



Prošle nedelje smo procitali u novinama da Nogometni savez Vitorije vodi niz pregovora sa poznatim klubovima iz Evrope i Amerike radi njihovog gostovanja u Australiji. Prema objavljenom planu, počev od meseca juna, imali bi svakog meseca jedan ili dva kluba u gostima. Da li je potrebno da prosperitet nogometnog i kroz ovaj plan? Klubovi Philips Nationalne i državne lige najmanje, čak bi bili na steti zbog smanjenog interesu publike, koja bi se zasitila tolikim brojem međunarodnih takmičenja. Pored toga, sve ove turneje u sezoni raspale bi ravan domaćeg saobraćaja, i to bi mnoge prevoznike utakmico mogle biti odložene. Osim toga, neki su uspešni da popravi svoje finansije, što je glavna nogometna igra i bez kojih se ne može zamisliti njen prosperitet na dužoj stazi. Oni će biti siromasniji, iako su sve učinili da obogate igru novim snagama uz velike materijalne zrtve.

Prema tome sve turneje poznati klubovi iz Evrope ili Amerike treba organizovati van sezone, kada to najbolje odgovara našim klubovima. Uz to treba voditi racuna o podeli prihoda. Ne smiju se vise zaboravljati klubovi koji daju igre za reprezentaciju.

JUST je prošle nedelje mirovao, jer su sve termini zauzeli Helas i Alexander, Navjadi, "plavih". Su je ujedinjena da vide svoje ljubimce u okviru, kako bi se to bolje pripremili za napornu sezonu koju je na pragu. Jedino sto je do sada trener Cirković mogao da ugovori to je trening utakmicu protiv Port Melburna na bivšem igralištu Slavije u sredu 8. februara. Utakmica pocinje u 6 sati uveče. Teren je dobar i prostiran pa se može razviti lepa igra. "PLAVI" će probati sve igrače, kao i novog golmana Ljubisa Ostrovskog, koji je presao iz Poljske.

U nedelju, pre godišnje skupštine JUST-a, stigao je iz Evrope sedretar "plavih" Harry Iser. Proveo je puna dva meseca u istočnoj i srednjoj Evropi, ali nam nije htio reci da je ulio neku novu zvezdu za JUST. Jedino nam je preneo pozdrave internacionalca Michaela Rosca, koji je dove godine sa uspehom nosio dres JUST-a i Vitorije. Rosca je bio spreman i opet dođe u nasu sredinu, ali ga sprečavaju pročlinci razlozi i posao.

Navjadi JUST-a iz Springvale i okoline, koji organizuju PLAVU NOĆ u subotu 25. februara, uveravaju nas da će te večeri pored trenera Cirkovića i vice-trenera Savicevića prisutni moći da upoznaju još najmlađeg nogometaša iz Jugoslavije, koji je do skoro nosio dres Olimpije. Prvu nagradu bogate lutrije dace nedna od brojnih putničkih agencija koja uspešno postuje sa Jugoslovenima.

Lepu i zanimljivu utakmicu su odigrali prošle subote Makedonija i Lions u Prestonu. Preko 2000 gledalaca nije marilo sto je padala kisa cele noći, pa su im se igrači oduzili borbenom igrom, koja je na mementu bila svušive ostra. Susret se završio bez odluke. Makedonija je postigla lep gol u prvom poluvremenu, dok je Branko Culina izjednačio u drugom, ali iz pozicije koja je mirlasila na odsaj. Makedonija je bila behnicka bolja, dok je Lions bio brži na luptu.

#### DOBRODOSLI JUNIORI

Pepe Dugino, uspesni trener juniora JUST-a, poceo je sa treninjima pre dve nedelje. Duzoljan je da se odzivom deca iznad 12 godina, ali bi se bilo stretan kada bi video vise mališina od 9 do 12 godina. Ukoliko ima zainteresovanih roditelja, neka prime k znanju da se treninji svakog petka od 5 sati po podne na JUST-ovom igralistu u Footscray-u.

U nedelju 12. februara juniori JUST-a ispod 13 godina igraju prijateljsku utakmicu protiv Hawthorne. Pocetak u 11 sati pre podne na juniorskom igralistu JUST-a.

A view from the junior ranks  
BY LEIF JENSEN

## Season too long?

Is the soccer season too long for our junior players?  
I know this question has been asked before, but have you ever sat down and worked out just how many games our juniors play in what I think is a very long season?

Training for most boys starts early in February (some even earlier) so if you then add on after-season carnivals or "going away trips", it means our lads don't stop playing until November.

The regional trials start in the middle of November, breaking up about six weeks over Christmas before restarting again in early February, which means that a lot of juniors get only that six-week break in 12 months.

Could this perhaps be the reason for so many lads giving the game away at the age of 15?

Now, you may doubt my mental capacity, or you may even call my parenthood into question, but let's see what would happen if we played a game every second week instead of once a week, as we have been doing for years.  
1. It would give us more time to coach our boys.  
2. It would solve a lot of ground problems.  
3. All league games could be played on a Sunday instead of some on a Saturday.  
4. It would enable us to play cup games, regional games

and State team games on the free weekends, and would stop the two-game-in-one-weekend caper.

5. It would leave all of us free to spend more time with our families, go to the garden, go a walk, watch the footy, have a game of cricket, or any one of a hundred things people like to do.

6. But most important, it might stop our 16-year-old lads saying to us: "I gave soccer away because, for the past nine years, I have played so much that it is running out of my ears."

7. Last of all, we might just be able to solve the problem of too many games and not enough referees.

Let us have your comments on the above idea. Write to L. G. Jensen, c/o Soccer Action. You know we will print your letters, so let's hear from you now.

It is difficult to give advice on coaching; it is a job that relies heavily on personal experience.

The problems of building a team and controlling a squad are so varied that no amount of writing can cover all the contingencies.

However, in the following, I shall attempt to put forward ideas on pre-season and competition period training based on my own experience and trust that these will at least provide some assistance and basis for thought.

#### (A) Preparation for the season

The work of a coach starts well before the season's first training session. A lot of forward planning is required to ensure that under the circumstances and with the material available, optimum results are achieved. The points to be taken into consideration are as follows:

- Assess playing strength and form
- Set individual and collective objectives

- Check on facilities and equipment available;
- Prepare "master plan" for season;

- Prepare detailed programme for pre-season training session.

#### (B) Assesses playing strength and form your squad

Based on the previous season's experience, replace where possible players not up to standard in order to strengthen the team.

The first place to look for new talent is your reserve team and juniors. Having checked these sources, the next step is to look at the transfer market.

A word of warning: do not

"It's just a matter of building up the calf muscle," says Jim, "and I should be ready for the start of the season proper."

Armstrong, who is a P.E. teacher, reckons he has three or four years left as a player. He had scored 151 goals in the State League and played for Hakoah and Hellas before coming to Juventus.

Most of the large crowd had not seen women's soccer before and were surprised at the skill and vigour the girls showed.

The organisers have asked the association to stage another game at next year's festival.

The players were drawn from teams in the V.W.S.A.

and included several

Australian and Victorian representatives.

The "Blue" team had the advantage over the "Gold" line-up in the first-half, with Margaret Rust and Bev Hubbard giving it a 2-0 lead at the break.

The sides were altered for the second half to get a more even encounter, but the "Blue" team went on to win 4-1 with second half goals to Bev Hubbard and Gayle McQuarry.

To cap off a great day, the Dandenong Sports Report Building Society presented a trophy to the association and a medal to each girl.

## Three for sale

Second division Ferntree Gully has put the emphasis on youth for 1978.

Three first-team players from last season — Sammy Jordan, Franz Zeegers and George Robinson — have been put on the transfer list to make room for youngsters.

Alan Steinhouse has been re-appointed coach.

## PRE-SEASON COACHING

By KEN KONTRA, former Victorian State coach and director of coaching, now coach of Melbourne.

#### (F) Prepare detailed plan for pre-season training sessions

Within the framework of the "master plan" one should allow about three months for pre-season training.

How one uses this time depends on priorities arising from points A and B and facilities available as per point C.

Generally speaking, I should split the three months into three equal parts as follows:

1st Month: Fitness objectives: Stamina, strength; Tactical objectives: Individual skill.

2nd Month: Power, speed, agility and individual skill related to position in team, group skills.

3rd Month: Match fitness and team tactics, match play.

#### (D) Check on facilities and equipment available

To plan your training sessions properly, you must know what equipment you will have at your disposal, when the ground is available for training, there are flood lights; if so, how effective, etc.

#### (E) Prepare "Master Plan" for season

After having dealt with points A, B and C, you will be in a position to set a plan for the season, starting with pre-season training. Your "master plan" should aim at achieving optimum improvement and performance of the material at your disposal through the most economic use of time, facilities and equipment available for training.

Let me state that in my opinion, it is practically impossible to physically overtrain a team.

Actually, the chances are that exactly the opposite has occurred and due to insufficient workload and/or application, de-training has set in.

A competition match once

a week is not enough to maintain fitness. On the other hand, badly prepared, boring training sessions, no matter how lengthy, hard and frequent, will not achieve the desired effect either. On the contrary, lack of interest and application will destroy most of the positive benefits gained through training.

The symptoms of physical de-training and mental fatigue and lack of motivation are similar.

The following are guidelines for training during the competition period as I see them.

(1) For fitness content, work on a three-week cycle: First week — heavy load, Second week — medium load, Third week — light load.

(2) Arrange your training so that you have 48 hours rest between solid fitness sessions and before and after a match.

(3) Introduce plenty of variety to maintain interest.

(4) Plan your sessions properly so that there is no time wasted. A short sharp one-hour session is better than a dragged out two-hour session, especially on a cold, rainy night.

(5) Avoid lengthy stoppages as much as possible even when correcting faults during a tactical session.

(6) Use functional practices and conditioned games for the specific purpose of correcting faults in order to previous match and to prepare for the next opponent. Once a week put the pieces together in a full scale practice match, giving clear-cut instructions before the start and then coach during the game.

## Curcija to Richmond



Eltham has lost top forward Rayko Curcija (pictured 2nd from right, front row) to Richmond.

He will be hard to replace, Eltham will be without John Rafferty and Gordon Kirkwood, who have retired, and goalkeeper Lyndon

Finlay because of business commitments.

The club hopes youngsters Freddy Vandervalk and Nell Bailey will fill some of the gaps in the first team. Freddy and Nell have come through Eltham's junior set-up and are both 16-year-olds.



George Delkaris

## Women impress

The Victorian Women's Soccer Association had a successful weekend recently.

The Association staged an exhibition match at the Dandenong Australia Day Festival and was given an excellent reception.

Most of the large crowd had not seen women's soccer before and were surprised at the skill and vigour the girls showed.

The organisers have asked the association to stage another game at next year's festival.

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ΑΠΟΦΑΡΡΥΝΟΝΤΑΙ  
ΟΙ ΠΟΔΟΣΦΑΙΡΙΣΤΕΣ

Μέχρι στιγμής έχουν μάθει για δύο περιπτώσεις ποδοσφαιρίστη στον πού έγκατέλειψαν την Εθνική Καπποριά λόγω του σκληρού προγράμματος της και φυσικά πάνω καμπλών απόδοσών. Και οι δύο περιπτώσεις των ποδοσφαιριστών, και δεν θυμολείται νά όκολουσθούν κι άλλες, θέτουν τό δέρματα: 'Αμοιβοντας ίκανοποιητικά οι ποδοσφαιριστές; 'Αμοιβοντας άναλογα με τις ώρες που διαθέτουν γιά προπονήσεις, τά ταξίδια που τους κρατούν μακριά από τις οικογενειές τους, γιά τις τραυματισμούς τους;

Τι συμβαίνει σ' ενων ποδοσφαιριστή δύοπος τραυματίζεται συδαρά και δύο μόνο άπομακρύνεται από τα γήπεδα άλλα χέρια και τινά μόνιμη που έργασοι και μάλιστα χωρίς καμπιά ληφθηκότων αρού τό απόκτημα συνέβει έκτος έργασιας;

'Αξίζει τόν κόπο γιά ερικές έκαντοντάς δύοπος δολάρια! Πόσο άλλονται οι λήμεταν γελματικές ποδοσφαιριστές της Αυστραλίας;

Μέχρι σήμερα πολύ δύσκολα καταφέραμε νά μάθουμε τις δασικές απόδοσες ένων μέσου ποδοσφαιριστή. Και μάλιστα γιά τόν ποδοσφαιριστή που δρίσκεται στην Αυστραλία και δικό το «Σούπερ Στάρ» πού είναι καθαρά έπαγματιστικά και πού έρχεται από την Ευρώπη γιά μερικά παιγνίδια. Μάλιστα γιά τόν ποδοσφαιριστή που δύο χάρει καμπιά από τις προπονήσεις της ήμερδος του πού έχει παιχει σ' άλους σκε δύο τούς άγωνες τού πρωταθλήματος.

'Ο ποδοσφαιριστής αύτός, τό μεγαλύτερο ποσόν στό όποιο μπορει νά έπλιζει είναι 150 δολάρια την έδδοδο και αύτό φυσικά μόνον διαν νικά η δύμα του. "Αν χάσει τότε μπορει νά πέσει κάτω στά 80 δολάρια δυσκεταί άν θερεζε, άν ισθωσε, άν αύτός ήταν ο καλύτερος τού γηπέδου.

Οι ούλοιγοι δύο έχουν φυσικά καμπιά διάθεση — γιά λόγους έφοριας — νά μάς δηλώσουν τις απόδοσές του κάθε παικτή διν και στην περίπτωση τών όμάδων που έχουν γίνει έπικεριστες οι απόδοσές των υπαλλήλων παραμένουν πάντοτε ιδιωτική ύπόθεση.

"Υπάρχουν λοιπόν και παικτες — κατά πλειοψηφία νεαροί και καινούργιοι στην δύμα και λιγύτεροι. Και κανείς από αύτους δύον μπορει νά θυμολείται, απόλυτα, έπαγγελματικά.

Γιά τό διοικητικό έπιπεδο της Αυστραλίας σέ σύγκριση με την δουλειά που κάνουν οι ποδοσφαιριστές, πους κινδύνους τραυματισμού που διατρέχουν, τά χρήματα που παίρνουν είναι ψηκουλά.



**PETER  
GEORGIOU**  
of the  
'Hellenic  
Herald'

Κι αυτό κάνει τόν ποδοσφαιριστή περισσότερο κυνικό. Παίζει μπάλα γιά κάπι έστρα στό πορτοφάλι του και γιατί τού δρεσει νά παίζει μπάλα. 'Θρυνται τότε διλοι, προπονητής, συμβούλοι, φίλαθλοι. Κανείς δέν ωριά τόν ίδιον ποδοσφαιριστή άντη ποδοσφαίρο της Αυστραλίας έχει ένθισαέρον για αυτόν. Τι τον προσέρει τέλος πάντων;

Σέ τι μπορει ν' από βλέπει ένας νεαρός ποδοσφαιριστής που ξεκανά γιά μια καριέρα στην Αυστραλία; Λεφτά, δέσα, τα ξίδια σύντα τόν κόσμο; Πολύ λίγα από αύτα. Σε πολλές περιπτώσεις άπολύτως τίποτα.

'Αποτέλεσμα: 'Άδια φορία από μέρους τών ποδοσφαιριστών που ξεκλέπουν μόνον στό χρήμα και που συμβαίνει αύτοι νά είναι οι περισσότεροι που έντι οι δύο άλοι.'

"Ηδη άναφέραμε τό δύο περιπτώσεις. Ό ένας θέλει ν' ασκοληθει περισσότερο με την οικονόμεια του και λιγύτερο μέτο ποδοσφαίρο σε έθνικό έπιπεδο. Κι αύτο διότι δέν άμασται άνδρια με την δουλειά που κάνει. Ό δεύτερος, προτίμως πάνω στά καλύτερα χρόνια του γιά ποδοσφαιρική καριέρα ν' ασκοληθει περισσότερο με έθνικές καλλι τεχνικές έκδηλωσες κι αύτό διότι άπογον τεύκης από την έθνικη καπηγορία και τό πρωτάθλημα της. 'Ένα καλό ταλέντο ποδοσφαίρου πάτει χα μένο.

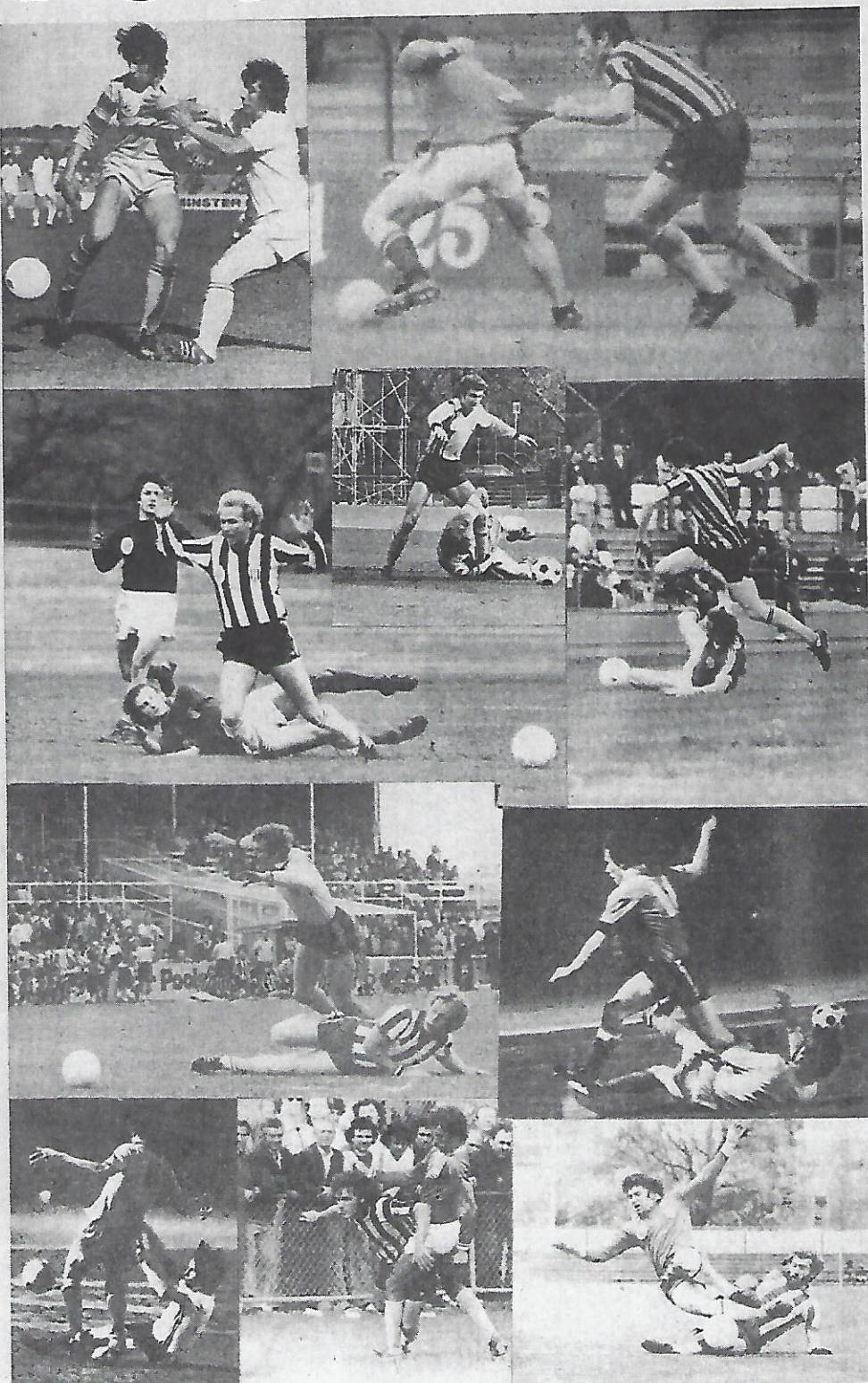
Τό Σταίντ Λίγκ τε λειώσε γιά τις μεγάλες όμδες. Τό πρόγραμμα του έθνικο πρωταθλήματος έγινε πιο απαιτητικό γιά τους ποδοσφαιριστάς και πιο κουραστικό γιά τις οικογενειές τους. Τό εισιτήριο τών άγωνων πρωταθλήματος άνεβηκε στά 3 δολάρια. Αύτο ήμως που έμεινε στό ίδιο έπιπεδο έιναι να οι απόδοσές τών ποδοσφαιριστών και φυσικά τό ένδιαφέρον τους για το παιγνίδι.

"Η λύση του πρωταθλήματος φωνάζει μόνη της και μάλιστα από το παίκτη. ΕΠΑΓΓΕΛΜΑΤΙΣΜΟΣ.

Μόνον μέ απόλυτο έπαγγελματισμό θά πάμε μπροστά. Μόνον μέ τόν έπαγγελ μαπομόθ θά κινδύνου με περισσότερο τό έν διαφέρον πάν πακτών και θά τραβήσουμε πε περισσότερο κόσμο στά γήπεδα.

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# FOUL PLAY:



Soccer often gets desperate, and when it does players resort to foul play.

It's a fact of soccer life. No one wants to lose, so the talented opponents must be stopped at all costs.

Our photographer SAM BELFONTE has assembled a collection of some of his most graphic shots, capturing blatant fouls and some that weren't as blatant.

The pictures, working down from left to right, show:

- Chris Kent of South Melbourne Hellas, uses his arms to unseat Canberra's Danny Moulis;
- Jed Bannon of Juventus (Vic.) uses the old shirt pulling trick;
- Joe Piclano (J.U.S.T.) takes the ball and the legs of Adelaide Juventus midfielder Agenor Muniz;
- Branko Buljevic (Flitzroy Alexander) is stopped by a Canberra player attached to his leg;
- John Hotson of Juventus (Vic.) tries to hurdle an Essendon player but is about to be tripped by a raised leg;
- There goes Buljevic again — this time stopped by Mooroolbark's Peter Ellis;
- The ball is gone, but a pair of legs are there nevertheless, to stop Preston Macedonia winger Brian Flaherty;
- A sliding tackle by George Cross (Vic.) winger Robert Cullen — but watch Cullen's hands tucked into the back of his opponent's shirt;
- A thigh can also prove a formidable barrier, as Rocco Santangelo of Juventus (Vic.) finds out;
- Crash goes Chris Kafatidis of South Melbourne Hellas, as Barrie Fairbrother of Mooroolbark slides in

## French uncover a football Watergate

FRENCH soccer's celebrations over World Cup success have been rudely interrupted by a major financial scandal involving first division Paris Saint-Germain — a sort of football Watergate.

And a hastily-convened commission of inquiry set up by the French FA has banned PSG president Daniel Hechter, the world-famous couturier, from soccer for life.

Also banned have been two club officials, Michel Peschadou, and Philippe Lacourtablasse. The club, however, is being allowed to continue in the first division and, a few days after the storm broke it surprised and delighted supporters by thrashing league leaders Marseille 5-1 in the Parc des Princes

Simply, it was to print two sets of tickets for matches. One set was sold openly through the official club offices to the general public, and the second set was sold privately by players and officials.

The result was that the official attendance and receipt figures released to the Press after the match, reported to the FA, government tax authorities and visiting clubs were the figures from the open sale of tickets.

The cash from the black market sales went into a secret fund which was used to pay illegal inducements to players, and boost signing-on fees to enable PSG, for example, to tempt stars such as Carlos Bianchi from Reims, and defender Ramon Heredia from Atletico Madrid.

# International scoreboard

**GREECE**  
 Aris 2, Apollon 0; Verios 3, Panathinaikos 1; Yannina 3.  
 Kastoria 1; Olympiakos 4, Egaleo 0; Ofi 2, Ethnikos 0;  
 Panachaiki 2, Iraklis 2; Panathinaikos 0; Aek 1; Panathinaikos 2.  
 Kavala 2; Pierikia 1, Paox 1.

Standing of the first five teams:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
AEK	20	12	7	1	43	17	31
Olympiakos	20	10	6	4	25	9	28
Panathinaikos	20	10	5	5	34	16	25
Paox	20	8	9	3	25	14	25
Ethnikos	20	8	7	5	21	16	23

**ITALY**

Atalanta 0, Bologna 0; Fiorentina 1, Foggia 1; Genoa 1.  
 Milan 1; Inter 2, L. Vicozzi 0; Juventus 1, Napoli 0;  
 Pescara 2, Torino 1; Roma 2, Perugia 0; Verona 2, Lazio 2.

Leading standings in the first division table:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus	17	9	7	1	26	8	25
Milan	17	7	3	2	17	11	21
L. Vicozzi	17	7	3	2	18	10	21
Torino	17	8	5	4	18	12	21
Inter	17	8	4	5	18	12	20
Perugia	17	6	4	4	24	20	19

**WEST GERMANY**

Schalke 04 2, FC Cologne 0; Borussia Dortmund 1, FC St. Pauli 1; Borussia Mönchengladbach 3, VfB Stuttgart 1; 1 XC Saarbrücken 1, Werder Bremen 1; MSG Düsseldorf 3, Eintracht Frankfurt 0; Hertha BSC 2, 1. FC Kaiserslautern 1; Fortuna Düsseldorf 3, Hamburger SV 0; 1960 München 2, VfL Bochum 0; Eintracht Braunschweig 1, Bayern Munich 1.

**HOLLAND**

Cup quarter-finals: Second Leg — Excelsior Rotterdam - Voerendaal 3-0. Excelsior qualified for semi-finals on goal aggregate 4-2.

First leg — Wageningen - AZ '67 Alkmaar 1-2.

Reda JC Kerkdijk - Ajax Amsterdam 0-3.

Vitesse Arnhem - Sparta Rotterdam postponed NH 15/2, waterlogged pitch.

**SPAIN**

Real Madrid 2, Espanyol 1; Burgos 1, Sevilla 0; Sporting 3, Salamanca 0; Elche 2, Las Palmas 0; Rayo Vallecano 2, Hercules 1; Valencia 0, Racing 0; Real Sociedad 6, Cadiz 1; Real Betis 4, Atletico Madrid 3; Barcelona 3, Athletico Bilbao 1.

**BELGIUM**

Beveren 0, Standard Liege 2; Charleroi 1, RWD Moenbeek 2; Anderlecht 4, Berchem 0; Waregem 1, Lierse 3; Antwerp 3; Courtrai 1; Boom 0, Lokeren 4; FC Liege 0; Sint-Truiden 2; Beerschot 1.

**PORTUGAL**

Portuguese Cup matches: Benfica 7, Regueira 2; Almada 1, Port 3; Famalicão 0, Sporting 2; Braga 3, Marítimo 0; Vizela 4, Académico de Viseu 0; Boavista 1, Riopele 3 (after extra time); Vianense 1, Gil Vicente 2; Farense 1, Vila Real 0.

**UNITED KINGDOM**

**ENGLISH DIVISION ONE:** Arsenal 0, Aston Villa 1; Birmingham 1, Middlesbrough 2; Bristol 3, Norwich 0; Coventry 1, Liverpool 0; Everton 2, Leicester 0; Ipswich 0; Leeds 1; Nottingham Forest 2, Wolverhampton Wanderers 0; Derby 1, Chelsea, Manchester United v. Manchester C.; Queens Park Rangers v. West Ham, and West Bromwich Albion 0; Newcastle all postponed.

**DIVISION TWO:** Blackpool 5, Blackburn 2; Burnley 3, Southampton 3; Fulham 1, Tottenham Hotspur 1; Hull 1; Brighton 1; Orlando 0, Charlton 0, abandoned at half time; Cardiff v. Walsall, Herford v. Shrewsbury v. Shrewsbury Wednesday all postponed; Tranmere 0, Cambridge 1.

**DIVISION THREE:** Chester 3, Bradford 2; Oxford 1, Gillingham 1; Peterborough 0, Lincoln 1; Plymouth 1; Colchester 1; Portmouth 0, Wrexham 1; Preston 2, Carlisle 1; Bury 1, Walsall; Chesterfield v. Swindon, Port Vale v. Exeter, Rotherham v. Herford and Shrewsbury v. Shrewsbury Wednesday all postponed; Tranmere 0, Cambridge 1.

**DIVISION FOUR:** Bournemouth 3, Bradford 2; Darlington 2, Newport 1; Doncaster 1, Stockport 0; Grimsby 3, York City 2; Northampton 1, Southport 0; Barnsley v. Aldershot, Crew v. Halifax, Huddersfield v. Watford, Reading v. Torquay, Rochdale v. Swansea and Wimbleton v. Hartlepools all postponed; Scunthorpe 2, Scunthorpe 0.

**SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION:** Ayr 0, Dundee 1; Celtic v. Hibernian postponed; Motherwell 0, Aberdeen 0; Rangers 1, Clydebank 0; St. Mirren 1, Patrick Thistle 1.

**DIVISION ONE:** Ayrtheth 1, East Fife 0; Dumferline 2, St. Johnstone 1; Hearts 1, Hamilton 0; Airdrieonians and Queen of the South Stirling Albion all postponed.

**DIVISION TWO:** Berwick 3, Alloa 3; Meadowbank 1, Clyde 1; St. Johnstone 0, Cowdenbeath 4; Stranraer 1, Brechin 1; Dunfermline v. Forfar, Queen's Park's v. E. Stirling and Ralph v. Falkirk all postponed.

**SCOTTISH FA CUP:** Third round: Vale of Leithain 0, Queen's Park 1. (Winners away to Motherwell in fourth round).

**FRANCE**

Troyes 1, Sochaux 0; Metz 2, Paris SG 1.

**ENGLISH DIVISION ONE**

	HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	A	P
Nott. For.	10	4	0	27	6	8	2	32
Everton	9	3	2	31	16	5	5	21
Man City	10	1	2	34	2	5	17	15
Liverpool	9	2	2	20	6	5	15	14
Arsenal	8	4	2	21	9	6	5	14
Leeds Utd	7	4	2	21	12	5	4	22
Coventry	9	3	2	34	18	4	3	27
Aston Villa	6	2	4	16	11	5	4	14
W.B.A.	8	3	2	20	8	2	5	16
Norwich	8	4	1	17	10	1	6	16
Derby City	5	3	3	18	15	4	3	13
Middlesb.	5	3	3	14	12	4	3	12
Man Utd	7	1	4	20	14	4	2	7
Chelsea	5	6	3	17	13	3	2	7
Wolves	5	4	3	19	16	3	3	8
Ipswich	8	2	4	22	16	0	5	7
Bristol City	7	3	3	27	18	0	5	8
Birmingham	5	3	6	23	22	4	1	13
West Ham	4	4	5	16	12	2	2	15
Q.P.R.	4	4	5	16	19	0	6	15
Newcastle	4	1	8	18	23	2	1	9
Leicester	2	5	6	6	19	0	4	10

**ENGLISH DIVISION ONE**

	HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	A	P
Dundee	9	1	3	36	17	7	3	32
Morton	7	2	3	25	16	9	2	18
Hearts	10	2	2	26	12	5	4	22
Dumbarton	7	5	1	24	13	3	6	21
Kilmarnock	4	6	3	17	14	5	4	15
Hamilton	7	4	1	31	16	2	4	8
St. John's	4	1	6	12	12	7	3	4
Stirling	3	3	5	15	17	6	4	17
Arbroath	5	5	4	22	26	3	4	16
Queen O' Sth	5	5	3	21	20	2	4	11
Airdrie	4	4	5	10	19	3	4	13
Montrose	4	4	6	17	17	3	2	7
Allan	2	4	7	18	31	2	2	9
East Fife	3	3	8	18	24	0	3	10

**ENGLISH DIVISION TWO**

	HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	A	P
Tottenham	9	4	0	35	8	5	6	32
Bolton	11	1	2	27	12	0	3	18
Southampton	10	2	1	24	8	5	4	19
Brighton	7	5	1	27	15	5	4	13
Blackburn	9	2	1	21	8	3	6	16
Leiston	7	3	2	21	8	3	6	17
Sunderland	7	3	3	26	13	1	8	19
Crystal Pal.	5	4	4	21	17	4	5	16
Sheffield Utd.	8	3	2	23	16	2	3	17
Fulham	6	5	2	26	14	3	8	10
Charlton	8	2	2	27	16	1	4	8
Orient	5	6	2	20	16	1	5	7
Bristol R	7	5	2	20	12	1	5	7
Sunderland	9	2	3	20	11	1	4	8
Blackpool	6	4	4	25	16	5	2	17
Walsall	7	3	2	21	8	3	6	19
Sheffield Wed.	10	2	1	28	12	2	4	10
Newport	10	3	0	29	12	2	4	9
Torquay	8	5	1	27	12	2	6	8
Huddersfield	9	4	1	29	10	0	8	10
Grimsby	7	4	2	16	9	5	2	7
Durham	8	4	3	25	16	3	4	14
Reading	9	2	2	23	12	4	1	8
Bournemouth	8	3	4	18	14	2	5	7
Burnley	8	3	4	18	14	2	5	7
Northampton	8	4	2	25	18	3	3	9
Doncaster	7	4	2	23	13	3	3	9
Chesterfield	8	3	3	2	9	0	5	9
Scunthorpe	8	3	3	2	9	0	5	9
Crewe	7	4	3	23	18	2	2	10
York	7	3	4	20	16	1	4	10
Hull	5	5	4	17	11	1	5	6
Wimbledon	3	8	4	21	21	2	3	8
Southport	2	9	2	19	17	1	5	8
Port Vale	4	7	2	17	17	1	5	8
Hartlepools	6	1	5	15	16	0	3	10
Rochdale	4	4	8	22	22	1	4	9
Bradford	5	4	5	18	19	0	1	15
Watford	4	4	5	18	19	0	1	15
Reading	4	4	5	18	19	0	1	15
Wimbleton	3	8	11	31	16	0	1	39
Scunthorpe	0	1	5	11	31	13	0	13

**ENGLISH DIVISION THREE**

	HOME	AWAY	W	D	L	F	A	P
Southend	8	5	2	24	11	7	2	14
Stranraer	10	2	1	27	12	4	3	23
Cowdenbeath	5	2	5	23	22	4	3	24
E. Stirling	4	4	2	17	25	4	2	17
Queens Park	4	3	5	11	16	2	5	18
Walsall	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
Alloa	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
St. Johnstone	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
Forfar	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
Charlton	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
W. B.A.	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
Derby City	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
Middlesb.	5	2	5	16	14	2	6	10
Leeds Utd	7	4	2	21	12	6	2	12
Coventry	9	3	2	18	13	3	2	12
Aston Villa	6	2	4	16	11	5	4	14
W.B.A.	8	3	2	20	8	2	5	14
Norwich	8	4	1					